

**COAL. COAL.**  
HALL & WALKER, AGENTS  
Best Nut and Household Coal  
Try our Comox coal for furnaces.  
5 per cent. off for cash with order.  
1288 GOVERNMENT ST.  
Phone 43.

# Victoria Daily Times.

**WOOD. WOOD.**  
We have the largest supply of GOOD  
DRY WOOD in the City. FINE CUT  
WOOD a specialty. Try us and be  
convinced.  
Burt's Wood Yard  
Phone 625. 51 PANDORA AVE.

VICTORIA, B. C., THURSDAY, DECEMBER 31, 1908.

No. 284

## PESTILENCE MAY FOLLOW

### DEPOPULATION AND RUIN

#### Shocking Conditions in Corpse-Strewn Towns and Villages in Calabria and Sicily.

## HORRORS UNSURPASSED FOR MANY CENTURIES

### Over 100,000 Now Believed to Have Perished in Messina Alone—Death Roll May Reach 200,000—Entire Infantry Regiment Drowns in Tidal Wave—Heart-Rending Stories of Survivors Ghouls at Work on Devastated Area.

Rome, Dec. 31.—To the terrifying spectacle of death caused by Monday's earthquake has now been added the horror of starvation and the fear of a spread of pestilence. In the ruins of Messina, Reggio, and various towns in Sicily and Calabria, lie the bodies of the dead, which it has been impossible to extricate, while everywhere thousands of hungry and homeless persons through the littered thoroughfares. Words are inadequate to express the horror of the ruin and desolation that has overwhelmed Calabria and Sicily, where the earth's tremblings, and fire and water have combined to change the smiling and verdant country into deserts.

Messina exists no longer, and at least thirty years will be necessary to repair what nature's violence has wrought there. As yet it has been found impossible to obtain any news whatever of the fate of little villages along the coast, many of which it is believed have been entirely wiped out. In many cases the buildings have been swept out to sea, and no trace of them remain. It is no exaggeration to say that flourishing and industrious villages have been wiped off the map.

Es some of the smaller towns such as Palmi, near Monteleone, the suddenness and completeness of the catastrophe was overwhelming. Of the 14,000 people living in Palmi alone 2,200 corpses were buried in the cemetery there. The survivors, reinforced by rescuers from other points, and under the lead of soldiers and doctors, are performing prodigies of valor.

Many of them have been overcome by the awful conditions under which they are working. The Bishop of Morabito and other priests, with touching devotion and courage have done much to preserve order by the example of calmness and self denial they have given the people. They are busy carrying comfort and consolation to the dying and the bereaved.

The first of the survivors of Reggio to reach Catanzaro were so broken down by the shock of their experience that it was almost impossible for them to give any connected account of the destruction of the city. They speak disconnectedly of whole districts swept away in a moment, and entire families of well-known people annihilated.

Reggio remains isolated in a ghastly silence. The railways and the foot paths through the surrounding country have been utterly destroyed while the survivors lack food, water, and medical supplies. The visit of the King and Queen of Italy to Messina and Reggio has aroused widespread enthusiasm. In spite of the universal mourning and distress the sovereigns were saluted when they disembarked by the firing of guns from the Italian and foreign warships at Messina.

The light houses on the headlands have disappeared. Numbers of recitals from eye witnesses are becoming available. A survivor of Messina says: "The first thing I knew I was thrown out of bed, then the floor of my room collapsed, and I fell into the apartment under me. Here I found a distracted woman searching for her sister and son, whom she found dead. We remained in the ruins for twenty-four hours entirely alone, without food or drink."

"We made a rough shelter of boards to keep off the rain. Our ears were filled with the cries and moans of the injured. These sounds ceased somewhat during the day. Still no one came to our assistance. We were as in a tomb with the dead bodies of our children beside us. We could see and hear from the street there would come an outburst of piercing cries for mercy and help from the injured, hidden and half-dead in the wreckage."

"On Tuesday morning we finally ventured forth and were taken aboard a vessel in the harbor on which we came to Naples. Messina is entirely destroyed. This refugee lost his two children. He arrived in Rome half dead and covered with dust. His wife was clothed in little, else than an old counterpane. Other refugees estimate that not more than 6,000 persons of the entire population of Messina, 100,000 people, escaped with their lives. The suffering was intensified by the lack of drinking water. The water system was entirely demolished. These survivors assuaged their thirst by rinsing their mouths with seawater."

Just as the British cruiser Ebro was preparing to leave Messina with refugees, an outbreak of cholera was heard from the shore. The refugees on board said crowds of maddened persons of every age break into the custom house. Some were naked, others half clothed, and they all were mud spattered and demented. Many were injured and bleeding. They sacked everything that came to their hands, seeking food, drink and clothing. Revolver shots rang out over the horrible din and confusion. Finally tongues of flame shot up in the darkness, showing that fire was completing the work of destruction.

Messina Was Burning and masses of flame in the darkness showed where the fire was completing the destructive beginnings of the earthquake. Ghoul-like figures flitted in the semi-darkness risking their lives among the tottering ruins, not to be scorched and agonized, but in the splendid striving to profit by the appalling disaster which had overwhelmed the city. They were vandals robbing the dead and dying, and acquiring possessions which they had no means of protecting or carrying away.

As the Ebro steamed through the straits it was seen that many once smiling villages on the neighboring shores had been completely obliterated from sight, or were nothing more than heaps of shapeless ruins with occasional flames springing up here and there to show where they once had stood. King Victor Emmanuel, who left Messina last night with Queen Helena, arrived early this morning at Reggio, and after visiting the ruins of the town in company with the Queen, embarked on a warship, and sent the following wireless telegram to Premier Giolitti: "Return from Reggio, which I found in a condition No Less Disastrous than that at Messina. "A Russian warship, with five hundred wounded on board, will arrive at Naples this morning, and everything must be prepared for their landing and housing. Another Russian ship will carry the wounded to Syracuse. It is desirable to have at Naples a Russian ship with an abundance of medical supplies."

standing, but behind was emptiness and ruin. The principal square presented an awe-inspiring spectacle. Everywhere were enormous cracks, into which the sea poured, whence clouds of steam and sulphurous vapors arose. To the right, before a big trembling building, was heaped many corpses, whose desperate attitudes and contorted features showed the horrors of the death struggle. The crew landed, but the work of rescue was most difficult. The ruins formed hillocks thirty feet high, under which thousands were buried. The steamer was soon loaded down to its utmost capacity with survivors, and then steamed to Naples. Along the way it was seen that the smiling villages on the Calabrian coast had disappeared.

The commander of the Russian battleship Makharoff, described the fearful scenes at Messina. He declared that many of the residents at that place had been buried alive as groans had come from far down in the fissures of the earth, which could only be approached with the greatest precaution. At points the tottering walls threatened further collapse. The anguished cries of the victims caused a fearful frenzy among the sailors who in several cases ventured in dangerous places and rescued many people. In other cases they reached dead bodies that separated in parts when efforts were made to drag them from the wreckage. Amidst the ruins of the Bank of Sicily, Russian sailors found the safe containing many millions, and delivered it aboard the warship. Chevalier Zanolo, a treasury official at Messina, who was among the fugitives arriving here, said that out of 60 treasury clerks only four escaped. At the prison of Rocci Guilford, 400 convicts were killed, together with many jailors and soldiers. Only forty convicts succeeded in making their escape. Refugees to the number of 50,000 to 75,000 are expected here within a few days.

Inhuman Fight For Food. Messina, Dec. 31.—A frightful scene occurred here to-day amid the ruins of the custom house. Bands of famished individuals were grouping among the debris in the hope of discovering food. The first of the searchers were successful and others, attracted by their cries of joy, fell upon them with revolvers and knives. The lucky ones defended each morsel literally with their lives. The struggle was of the most inhuman description. The famished men threw themselves upon each other like wolves and several fell disembowled in defending a handful of dry bread. One of the unfortunates was pinned to a plank by a knife while clinging to his hand was a little child, for whom he had fought for food.

Survivors Driven Mad. Naples, Dec. 31.—The wounded refugees from Messina, who have reported here present a sickening sight. Some appear hardly human; others among the fugitives have no apparent injuries, but are in a deplorable mental condition. The horror of that tragic minute is ineradicably fixed on their faces. On the relief ships they were heaped everywhere. Some of them appear to be stricken with a kind of idiosyncrasy, looking aimlessly before them; others, completely mad, howl wildly.

There is reason to believe that an entire regiment of infantry was drowned by the tidal wave at Palmi. Three hundred of the soldiers' bodies already have been recovered. As a precautionary measure against an outbreak of pestilence the bodies of persons killed in the earthquake are being buried and disinfected are being strewn among the ruins of the city. The troops have set up field kitchens and are baking bread in the streets.

English Tourists Perish. Paris, Dec. 31.—A special dispatch received here from Rome says that 10 guests, including English, Americans and French travellers, were staying at the Hotel Trinacria, at Messina, when the city was destroyed. They all perished. The proprietor of the Trinacria alone escaped. There are only two survivors of the

## C. P. R. EXPRESS IS DITCHED; 2 INJURED

(Special to the Times.)  
Winnipeg, Man., Dec. 31.—The continental express of the C. P. R. from here went into a ditch near Gull Lake, Medicine Hat, Sask., district at 2 o'clock this morning. The baggage and colonist car was ditched but the locomotive stayed on the rails. Two people were injured, one of whom is likely to die. No names were obtainable.

## FIFTY VICTIMS AFTER EXPLOSION

Ennis, W. Va., Dec. 31.—The fatalities in the Lick branch mine, as the result of an explosion on Tuesday afternoon will probably reach fifty. Twelve bodies have already been taken out. According to a mine foreman, there are 38 men in the mine, with little chance of their recovery alive. The cause of the explosion is unknown. Lick Branch is the name of a coal mine in operation on the Pocahontas division of the Norfolk & Western railway. It is without commercial telegraph facilities. It is practically settled that fifty miners were at work in the mine when the explosion occurred and that there yet remain thirty-eight in the death pit. The rescue work is very slow. The damage to the mine is reported to be great.

## STAMPING OUT CATTLE DISEASE IN U. S. A.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 31.—"I believe we've gotten the 'foot and mouth' disease corralled," declared Secretary of Agriculture Wilson to-day. "I want to emphasize, however, that we are letting up in our investigations very slowly, because if we did not foreign countries might guarantee against the whole United States, as they are very suspicious of getting the infection. The department has had a force of 150 veterans and professional men engaged in the work of the eradication of the disease, the cost of which, it is estimated, will be fully half a million dollars. The four states affected are New York, Michigan, Maryland and Pennsylvania. The total number of animals slaughtered were 2,965, valued at \$8,258, of which the federal government will pay two-thirds, and the states affected one-third.

## STARVING AND FROZEN IN WILDS OF ALBERTA

Winnipeg, Man., Dec. 31.—Wandering about in the wilds of the north, among the haunts of innumerable timber wolves, Margaret Romaro, a Mexican woman, old and frail, and her daughter a child of 13 years, have been found by Indians in a starving condition, almost frozen and desperate from hunger. The place where the two were found, was at Calling Lake, seventy-five miles west of Athabasca Landing. The pitiful story came to the immigration office of Bruce Walker yesterday. The place is uninhabited, and only wolves and big game abound in the bush and swamps, which in winter time are buried in mountains of snow. Entirely unprotected from the elements and evidently the victim of hallucination, they are wanderers over the earth. Seemingly homeless and without a friend in the world, they have endured unknown hardships for a long time. Both have been driven from Canada into the United States and from the States into Canada again.

## MURDERER INSANE

Flushing, N. Y., Dec. 31.—With the conclusion to-day of the testimony of Major Hains in behalf of his brother, Thornton J. Hains, now on trial as a principal with his brother, Capt. P. C. Hains, for killing William Annis, counsel for the defence will call the parents of the defendant, Gen. P. C. Hains and his wife, to tell of the mental condition of Captain Hains following certain disclosures of alleged happenings at his home that caused a separation from his wife. The spectacle of the aged parents opening further the doors upon family skeletons and telling of mental weakness observed in Captain Hains, counsel for the defendant, assert, will prove positively to the jury that the army officer was insane from grief when he shot Annis down. T. J. Hains will follow his parents on the stand if the present plans of his counsel are carried out. This has been necessary to bring out further facts regarding his brother, which will be incorporated into a hypothetical question put to the alienist regarding Captain Hains' sanity. The defendant will probably not take the stand until Saturday or Monday.

## Hains' Trial Following Along Similar Lines to Notorious Thaw Case.

Flushing, N. Y., Dec. 31.—With the conclusion to-day of the testimony of Major Hains in behalf of his brother, Thornton J. Hains, now on trial as a principal with his brother, Capt. P. C. Hains, for killing William Annis, counsel for the defence will call the parents of the defendant, Gen. P. C. Hains and his wife, to tell of the mental condition of Captain Hains following certain disclosures of alleged happenings at his home that caused a separation from his wife. The spectacle of the aged parents opening further the doors upon family skeletons and telling of mental weakness observed in Captain Hains, counsel for the defendant, assert, will prove positively to the jury that the army officer was insane from grief when he shot Annis down. T. J. Hains will follow his parents on the stand if the present plans of his counsel are carried out. This has been necessary to bring out further facts regarding his brother, which will be incorporated into a hypothetical question put to the alienist regarding Captain Hains' sanity. The defendant will probably not take the stand until Saturday or Monday.

## DORANDO-LONGBOAT RACE

Buffalo, N. Y., Dec. 31.—Dorando, the Italian, who is to enter with Longboat, the Canadian-Indian, in a 25-mile race at the seventy-fifth regiment Armory here on Saturday night, arrived in Buffalo to-day from New York, and was given an enthusiastic reception by delegations of his countrymen.

## BIG PHILADELPHIA FIRE

Philadelphia, Pa., Dec. 31.—Fire early to-day destroyed the warehouse of the Howard-Boyer Wool Company on South Second street in the centre of the wholesale district and badly damaged the adjoining buildings. The losses are estimated at \$100,000.

## BIG COAL DOCK FIRE IS UNDER CONTROL

Fort William, Ont., Dec. 31.—The fire at the C. P. R. coal docks here is at last under control, after several thousand tons have been burned. Two weeks hence will see the end of the fire which has been burning for several weeks. A large army of men have been engaged for sometime, isolating a mountainous pile of coal on fire from the other fuel.

## CAMPAIGN SONG AROUSES PASSENGER'S IRE

St. John, N. B., Dec. 31.—An incident that carries back to the federal election of October occurred in a street car. One passenger was the son of G. S. Mayes, the dredging contractor, on his way home. Three other men in the car, who had been drinking, started a campaign song in which the names of Pugsley, Pender and Mayes were used and made remarks which Mayes considered objectionable. Trouble followed and the car fixtures were so badly smashed that the car had to be laid off.

## FENCE BANK WITH BARBED WIRE, THEN LOOT IT

Muskogee, O. T., Dec. 31.—Five robbers dynamited the bank at Elliston, Okla., yesterday, and escaped with \$5,000. The robbers erected a barbed wire barricade around the bank, and while some members of the gang went to work on the bank safe, others stood guard. The plot for two hours kept the townspeople at bay, while their confederates worked on the vault, and when finally the robbers succeeded in getting the money it contained the five men rode off, covering their departure with a heavy fire.

## PRECIOUS FREIGHT

Washington, D. C., Dec. 31.—Moving \$25,000,000 in gold coin a distance of more than one thousand miles without accident or without the loss of a dollar, is the feat just successfully accomplished by the treasury department of the United States under the supervision of the directorship of the mint. Owing to all the principal vaults of the San Francisco mint having been filled with gold coin, and the basement and other less secure vaults as well, it was deemed desirable to move this amount to the new modern vaults of the Denver mint, the largest and most secure of any in the United States. Secretary Cortelyou therefore ordered its transfer. The movement of the coin was begun on August 15th, and was completed on December 19th. This is by far the largest transfer of money ever made by the department.

## CANADA'S CUSTOMS REVENUE

Ottawa, Dec. 31.—The customs revenue of Canada for the month just closing is \$2,875,000, a decrease of \$217,975 as compared with December, last year. For nine months of the fiscal year the total has been \$24,844,524, a decrease of \$10,548,504.

## TORONTO'S 4-TRACK VIADUCT

Toronto, Ont., Dec. 31.—The railway commission has ordered a four-track viaduct for Toronto, the city to pay one-third of the cost.

## TRAFFIC TIED UP

Winnipeg, Man., Dec. 31.—A severe snowfall in the Rocky Mountains, west of Logan on the Canadian Pacific railway, has carried away a section of track and tied up traffic.

## LABOR-CAPITAL CO-PARTNERSHIP

London, Dec. 31.—Former Premier Arthur J. Balfour has started a vigorous campaign throughout Great Britain for "capital and labor" combinations in many industries, taking as his text Sir Christopher Furness' monster co-operative shipbuilding scheme. Mr. Balfour is conducting his movement as president of the Labor Co-operative Association, an organization of several years standing into which, however, new life has been injected by the big ship-building experiment. The audience, which the former premier has been addressing in the leading English cities, are perhaps the most curiously mixed of any ever gathered in the United Kingdom, Peers and working men, Socialists, Liberals and Conservatives, captains of industry and Unionists, all seem equally enthusiastic over the plan, which, it is hoped, will revolutionize the relations between capital and labor and put an end to industrial strife by placing the two interests on an equal footing and making them work toward a common end.

## GOVERNMENTS WILL NOT PURCHASE ELEVATORS

Winnipeg, Man., Dec. 31.—The proposal to purchase the terminal elevators which was endorsed by the Grain Growers' Association of Western Canada, and which was before the premiers of the western provinces here at a conference yesterday, has been "turned down" owing to the immense financial obligations involved. The Grain Growers' executive have been notified of this conclusion. Premier Roblin of Manitoba, flatly refused to go into the scheme.

## FENCE BANK WITH BARBED WIRE, THEN LOOT IT

Muskogee, O. T., Dec. 31.—Five robbers dynamited the bank at Elliston, Okla., yesterday, and escaped with \$5,000. The robbers erected a barbed wire barricade around the bank, and while some members of the gang went to work on the bank safe, others stood guard. The plot for two hours kept the townspeople at bay, while their confederates worked on the vault, and when finally the robbers succeeded in getting the money it contained the five men rode off, covering their departure with a heavy fire.

## DEATH OF CUSTOMS COLLECTOR

Port Colborne, Ont., Dec. 31.—Samuel F. Bidart, collector of customs of this place, and formerly connected with the Welland Tribune, died in the hospital at St. Catharines yesterday, following an operation for appendicitis. He was 58 years old, and leaves a widow and four children.

## NEW YEAR DISPENSATION

New York, Dec. 31.—A dispensation permitting Roman Catholics to eat meat tomorrow, New Year's Day, although it is Friday, has been granted by the Pope. Formal announcement of the fact was made to-day by Archbishop Farley, of the diocese of New York.

## BANK DISCOUNT RATE

London, Dec. 31.—The rate of discount of the Bank of England remained unchanged to-day at 3 per cent.

## DEATH BRINGS RELEASE TO CAPITOL CONSPIRATOR

Media, Pa., Dec. 31.—William L. Mathews, former state treasurer of Pennsylvania, died suddenly at his home here, aged 46 years. The cause of death was given by his physicians as pneumonia, but it is generally believed that his illness was superinduced by the Harrisburg capitol graft cases and his recent sentence of two years in penitentiary for his part in the alleged conspiracy against the state.

## W. L. Mathews, Former State Treasurer of Pennsylvania, Was Sentenced Man.

It was then that Mathews retired from the Republican county chairmanship "temporarily," as he explained, until he could be vindicated. Last March, he William P. Snyder, former auditor general; James M. Shumaker, former superintendent of public grounds and buildings, and John Sanderson, furniture contractor, were convicted of conspiracy in defrauding the state out of \$19,308 on a contract for woollen furniture. The four men, with Architect Joseph B. Huston, were to have been placed on trial on April 6th, on the charge of fraud in furnishing desks for the new capitol. This case involves an alleged fraud of \$25,877 on a bill of \$61,000.

## A. J. BALFOUR CARRIES ON VIGOROUS CAMPAIGN

London, Dec. 31.—Former Premier Arthur J. Balfour has started a vigorous campaign throughout Great Britain for "capital and labor" combinations in many industries, taking as his text Sir Christopher Furness' monster co-operative shipbuilding scheme. Mr. Balfour is conducting his movement as president of the Labor Co-operative Association, an organization of several years standing into which, however, new life has been injected by the big ship-building experiment. The audience, which the former premier has been addressing in the leading English cities, are perhaps the most curiously mixed of any ever gathered in the United Kingdom, Peers and working men, Socialists, Liberals and Conservatives, captains of industry and Unionists, all seem equally enthusiastic over the plan, which, it is hoped, will revolutionize the relations between capital and labor and put an end to industrial strife by placing the two interests on an equal footing and making them work toward a common end.

## GOVERNMENTS WILL NOT PURCHASE ELEVATORS

Winnipeg, Man., Dec. 31.—The proposal to purchase the terminal elevators which was endorsed by the Grain Growers' Association of Western Canada, and which was before the premiers of the western provinces here at a conference yesterday, has been "turned down" owing to the immense financial obligations involved. The Grain Growers' executive have been notified of this conclusion. Premier Roblin of Manitoba, flatly refused to go into the scheme.

## FENCE BANK WITH BARBED WIRE, THEN LOOT IT

Muskogee, O. T., Dec. 31.—Five robbers dynamited the bank at Elliston, Okla., yesterday, and escaped with \$5,000. The robbers erected a barbed wire barricade around the bank, and while some members of the gang went to work on the bank safe, others stood guard. The plot for two hours kept the townspeople at bay, while their confederates worked on the vault, and when finally the robbers succeeded in getting the money it contained the five men rode off, covering their departure with a heavy fire.

## DEATH OF CUSTOMS COLLECTOR

Port Colborne, Ont., Dec. 31.—Samuel F. Bidart, collector of customs of this place, and formerly connected with the Welland Tribune, died in the hospital at St. Catharines yesterday, following an operation for appendicitis. He was 58 years old, and leaves a widow and four children.

## NEW YEAR DISPENSATION

New York, Dec. 31.—A dispensation permitting Roman Catholics to eat meat tomorrow, New Year's Day, although it is Friday, has been granted by the Pope. Formal announcement of the fact was made to-day by Archbishop Farley, of the diocese of New York.

## BANK DISCOUNT RATE

London, Dec. 31.—The rate of discount of the Bank of England remained unchanged to-day at 3 per cent.

## DEATH BRINGS RELEASE TO CAPITOL CONSPIRATOR

Media, Pa., Dec. 31.—William L. Mathews, former state treasurer of Pennsylvania, died suddenly at his home here, aged 46 years. The cause of death was given by his physicians as pneumonia, but it is generally believed that his illness was superinduced by the Harrisburg capitol graft cases and his recent sentence of two years in penitentiary for his part in the alleged conspiracy against the state.

## W. L. Mathews, Former State Treasurer of Pennsylvania, Was Sentenced Man.

It was then that Mathews retired from the Republican county chairmanship "temporarily," as he explained, until he could be vindicated. Last March, he William P. Snyder, former auditor general; James M. Shumaker, former superintendent of public grounds and buildings, and John Sanderson, furniture contractor, were convicted of conspiracy in defrauding the state out of \$19,308 on a contract for woollen furniture. The four men, with Architect Joseph B. Huston, were to have been placed on trial on April 6th, on the charge of fraud in furnishing desks for the new capitol. This case involves an alleged fraud of \$25,877 on a bill of \$61,000.

COME AND Inspect Our Christmas Goods



HAIR BRUSHES. CLOTH BRUSHES. In Ebony and Ivory. PERFUMES. From all the best makers. GENTLEMEN'S TOILET SETS. LADIES' TOILET SETS.

WE HAVE A VERY NICE SELECTED LINE OF CHRISTMAS GOODS AT Campbell's Prescription Store. We are prompt, careful and we use the best. Our prices are reasonable. CORNER FORT AND DOUGLAS ST.

AFTER THE HOLIDAYS YOU NEED A TONIC

Try WILSON'S INVALID PORT, per bottle.....\$1.00 NIAGARA WINE, per bottle.....35c CHERRY BRANDY, per bottle.....\$1.50 LION COCKTAILS, per bottle.....\$1.25

Windsor Grocery Company, OPPOSITE POSTOFFICE. GOV'T STREET. WINNING NUMBER FOR TEDDY BEAR IS 75

BEGIN THE NEW YEAR WELL

Make a resolution that you will save money. You can easily do this on fuel. Mix Coke With Your Coal IT WILL OUT YOUR COAL BILLS IN HALF We deliver Coke to any place within city limits for \$5 per ton. Only \$4 if you send for it. Better economize. Get a ton in your coal bin ready to cook your New Year's Goose or Turkey

VICTORIA GAS COMPANY, LTD. Corner Fort and Langley Streets

THIS NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION

Has been before the public, and was moved by Messrs. Large Family and Few Dollars, and second by Messrs. Small Income and Nottingleft, and carried: RESOLVED—That any combine trying to corner the food of the people for the purpose of proying on the consumer shall now henceforth incur their marked displeasure; and be it known that the ANTI-COMBINE GROCERS have fought and are fighting for a square deal for all. It is therefore in the interest of the public at large to accord them their patronage.

DO IT NOW! THAT'S THE POINT! ESTABLISHED MAR. 1, 1906. ANTI-COMBINE ESTABLISHED MAR. 1, 1908.

- NICE NAVAL ORANGES, 3 doz. for.....\$6.00 HONEY, Pure Clover, 5-lb. tin.....\$1.00 HONEY IN THE COMB, per sec.....\$1.00 MARMALADE, C. & H., 2-lb. tin.....\$1.00 SUNLIGHT SOAP, 22 bars, 11.00; box, 100 bars.....\$4.25 PEARLINE, 2 pkts. for.....\$1.00 SOAP, Golden West, 2 pkts. 4oz. BLUE, Laundry, Day & Martin's, 1 lb. pkt. ....\$1.00 SAPOLIO, per pkt. ....\$1.00 DUTCH CLEANSER, per tin, 10c. LEMONS, Niles and Juley, per dozen.....\$1.00 ORANGES, Navel, per doz. ....\$1.00 MAPLE SYRUP, Pure, quart bot. ....\$1.00 ESSENCES—ALL FLAVORS— 2-oz. bottle.....\$1.00 4-oz. bottle.....\$1.00 8-oz. bottle.....\$1.00 BAKING POWDER, MAGIC— 12-oz. can.....\$1.00 3-lb. can.....\$1.00 BAKING SODA, Cow, 1 lb. pkt. ....\$1.00 CHEESE, Nice Ontario, per lb. ....\$1.00 INDEPENDENT CREAMERY BUTTER, per lb. ....\$1.00 Or 3 lbs. for.....\$1.00 HAM, Royal Brand, per lb. 17c. MALTA VITA, per 24oz. ....\$1.00 CORN FLAKES, per pkt. ....\$1.00 19 pkts. for.....\$1.00 OYSTERS, Fresh Olympia, per jar.....\$1.00 CALGARY FLOUR, per 25 lbs. ....\$1.00 ROLLED OATS, 1-lb. paper bag, 22 lbs. for.....\$1.00 WHEAT FLAKES, 2 lbs. for.....\$1.00 CREMO, nice for breakfast, 10-lb. sack.....\$1.00 JAM, Cross & Blackwell's, Raspberry or Strawberry, 7-lb. tin.....\$1.00 SHAKER SALT, 2 pkts. for.....\$1.00 WORCESTER SAUCE, Travers', 2 bottles for.....\$1.00 COCOA, Baker's, 4-lb. tin.....\$1.00 PICKLES, Travers' English, large 12-oz. bottle.....\$1.00 HERRINGS, in Tomato Sauce, 2 tins for.....\$1.00 SARDINES, Albert, per tin.....\$1.00 Per dozen.....\$12.00 SARDINES, C. & B., Smoked, 2 tins for.....\$1.00

ORDERS HAVE PROMPT ATTENTION Copas & Young ANTI-COMBINE GROCERY Two Phones, 94 and 133. Corner Fort & Broad Sts

THE NEW GRAND. Two Matinees Will be Given To-Morrow Afternoon. There will be two matinees at the New Grand to-morrow afternoon, the first starting promptly at 2:30 and the second at 3:45. Both should be crowded to the doors, for it is very rarely that such a strong bill of all star acts as that of this week is seen, and business is large each succeeding day. It includes the Petching Brothers in "A Musical Flower Garden," the Carson Bros., acrobats; Leo Theodora, acrobats; C. W. Williams, ventriloquist, and the illustrated song, moving pictures and acrobats. On Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock the usual children's 10 cent matinee will be given. At 11 o'clock on Sunday morning Bishop Perrin will induct Rev. W. Baugh Allen into his new charge at St. Paul's church. Esquimalt. The newly appointed rector will preach the sermon at 7 o'clock in the evening.

Regular "End of the Year" Bargain

LARGE 6 ROOMED HOUSE On Quadra street, This side of Caledonia avenue; Has all the up-to-date conveniences. Is in splendid shape. About 7 minutes from the City Hall. So that you can walk home to lunch. Lot is 76 ft. 8 in. x 120.

\$3,150 Terms will suit. Pemberton AND SON 625 Fort Street

B.C. MESSENGER CO. 1212 GOVERNMENT ST. 409-411 PHONES-611

When you have NOTES, PACKAGES or OTHER MATTER TO DELIVER, don't worry. PHONE US. THE OLD RELIABLE. Established For 15 Years.

DR. E. S. ROWE ON PUBLICITY SCHEME

Ratepayers Should Study Necessity of Advertising City.

Dr. Elliot S. Rowe, of the Vancouver Tourist Association, and formerly of Victoria, who is staying at the Dominion hotel while here on private business, in discussing advertising of the city last night said the plebiscite on the appropriation of \$1,500 for next year for publicity work was one about which there were diverse opinions. He personally did not agree with the plebiscite, and gives as his reason that the average man has not dealt deep enough with the necessity for advertising on a large scale. Many ratepayers and members of the community he thinks would not be in sympathy with an advertising appropriation because they do not sufficiently understand it, the reason for this being that the average man does not know the great value of advertising and that the people as a whole are apt to underestimate the necessity of advertising and are given to take an indifferent view of the matter, preferring to leave the increase of population to ships that call from other parts of the world. The utmost publicity, however, should be given the proposition and the necessity which he says never decreases but always increases for advertising the city should be made plain to all at every opportunity. Dr. Rowe supports publicity in all forms and as a publicity man himself considers the ratepayers should vote the appropriation; for, he says, the city that does not advertise and advertise well is soon advertised for in the lost columns.

"Victoria as a city lends itself tremendously to successful advertising and beautification, especially the latter, as all that can be favorably said of it can be said truly," continued Dr. Rowe. "It has the fundamental essentials for a big beautification scheme and needs but the trimmings which when completed will add distinctly to the natural scenic beauties. In a prairie town street ornamentation without the natural beauty of the surrounding of Victoria is apt to result in an artificial appearance, the real beauty being lost as soon as the city limits are passed. This defect is, however, entirely absent in Victoria." Last March Dr. Rowe saw here some magnificent blooms growing in the open some of which were shipped to Toronto. "These could be shipped to Ottawa," he said, "and what an advertisement it would be for Victoria if they were sent east during the month of March when the Ottawa ground was under a heavy snow and used to decorate the desks of all the British Columbia members of the Dominion house and labelled 'grown in the open in Victoria B. C.' The press at Ottawa would be bound to take the matter up and Victoria and British Columbia would have one of the biggest advertisements. It would cause a furore throughout the east."

PILLSBURY-WASHBURN AFFAIRS. Minneapolis, Minn., Dec. 21.—At a meeting of English holders of the debentures of the Pillsbury-Washburn Flour Mills Co., yesterday, the plan for the re-organization of the company was unanimously approved. This practically assures the re-organization, and the plan needs only the approval of the creditors, from whose committee it originally came.

A catfish can eat 60 times its weight of food in one month.

Wood! Coal!

PHONE 606 For your next Fuel Order SATISFACTION GUARANTEED We have a FIRST CLASS SERVICE in hacks, buggies and express work. SPECIALTY BOARDING HORSES Island Transfer Co. Phone 606. 541 FORT ST.

WARD THREE AND ITS ALDERMEN

RATEPAYERS HAVE A FRIENDLY TALK TO THEM

Condition of Streets, Water Rates and Garbage Removal Discussed.

A heart to heart talk was had by half a hundred ratepayers of Ward Three, with their representatives, Aldermen Gleason and Fullerton, last night. The meeting was called as soon as the renewing of the garbage contract with Capt. W. E. Gardiner was announced, and while originally intended to deal with that matter was understood to offer the aldermen a chance to explain their year's work. A. E. Sherk presided over the meeting, held in Spring Road, Odd Fellow's hall. The garbage contract, the proposed water rates and the undoubted bad condition of the streets were the principal matters on which the ratepayers wanted information, and the aldermen were subjected to much good-natured heckling. It seemed to be the opinion of the two aldermen, when asked point blank questions about them, that the city engineer has too much to do, that the council does not properly support him, and that the foremen on street works need a shaking-up.

Ald. Gleason began by telling what had been done for the sewerage and lighting of the ward, and for the streets. He said that the only solution was an extension of the local improvement system. The council could not attend to them out of general revenue. As to the garbage contract, Capt. Gardiner's offer negotiations, agreed to handle fifty per cent, more at a saving on the present contract of \$1,072 for a year or \$1,393 a year on a two-year contract. In arriving at this figure the council took into consideration that the contractor would have an income from tickets. Ald. Gleason said he agreed with the principle of calling for tenders for city work, but in this case the city was getting a good bargain, and besides he considered no one else was in a position to handle the contract as satisfactorily as the old contractor.

"Give us figures," said J. A. Price, and other ratepayers repeated his demand. Ald. Gleason said that the estimated receipts from tickets were put at \$1,191 a year. With the \$2,822 paid under the contract the service would thus cost the ratepayers \$4,013 annually, whereas at the rate of the old contract it would cost \$3,605. The aldermen, with the aid of a blue-book, entered into a comparison of vessels and declared that Capt. Gardiner and Capt. Goodwin were the only owners of suitable tugs.

The Water Rates. On the question of water rates Ald. Gleason defended the new schedule and the frontage tax of three cents a foot. The latter, he said, would be put into a fund which would enable the city to make improvements in the service, and such works as would be necessary at Sooke lake some day, without having to borrow. Mr. Marchant objected to the water rates being made to cover capital expenditure charges instead of these being met out of ordinary revenue. Ald. Gleason said it was as broad as it was long. "Oh, no, it is not as broad as it is long, but the other way about," replied Mr. Marchant. "When met from ordinary revenue the owners of the vacant land you talk of in connection with the frontage tax would have to pay their share, but you propose to have residences meet the whole cost."

The latter had his chance early in the year, and was \$600 higher than Capt. Gardiner. "Capt. Goodwin might have reduced his figures since then," suggested a ratepayer. Ald. Gleason did not think so. "You don't know," retorted J. A. Price. "You don't know because you did not call for tenders. I think if one tenderer could do the work for less under the arrangement to collect \$50 a lead other could do it, too." Work on the Streets. William Marchant wanted to know if Street Superintendent Warwick superintended anything, what he was paid his salary for, or whether it was true that someone in authority was interfering with the result that Mr. Warwick does his superintending. Ald. Gleason professed willingness to explain were it not that the whole matter was at present under consideration by the streets, bridges and sewers committee. "I would like to run whoever is interfering to earth," said Mr. Marchant. Another ratepayer complained that there were altogether too many foremen, that there was frequent lack of common-sense in the work, and in some cases on Stewart street where the earth from an excavation had been thrown up on the pipes to be laid, and these had then to be dug out to be laid!

"All comes back to having a good, efficient head in that department," said Ald. Gleason, who went on to say that both a better head and better men were needed. He had noticed one case where the men stopped work and put away their tools some time before five and then stood around until the clock struck. This case would be investigated.

"That foreman should be fined," declared Mr. Marchant. "There has been so much laxity of late years that we are not getting the benefit out of day labor that we should. The council should take hold and go into this whole matter of the lack of system in street work."

Ald. Gleason, in reply to a question, said he would be in favor of calling for tenders for local improvement works if the property owners desired it where the engineer's estimate seemed too high.

The Water Rates. On the question of water rates Ald. Gleason defended the new schedule and the frontage tax of three cents a foot. The latter, he said, would be put into a fund which would enable the city to make improvements in the service, and such works as would be necessary at Sooke lake some day, without having to borrow.

Mr. Marchant objected to the water rates being made to cover capital expenditure charges instead of these being met out of ordinary revenue.

Ald. Gleason said it was as broad as it was long. "Oh, no, it is not as broad as it is long, but the other way about," replied Mr. Marchant. "When met from ordinary revenue the owners of the vacant land you talk of in connection with the frontage tax would have to pay their share, but you propose to have residences meet the whole cost."

The latter had his chance early in the year, and was \$600 higher than Capt. Gardiner.

"Capt. Goodwin might have reduced his figures since then," suggested a ratepayer.

Ald. Gleason did not think so. "You don't know," retorted J. A. Price. "You don't know because you did not call for tenders. I think if one tenderer could do the work for less under the arrangement to collect \$50 a lead other could do it, too."

Work on the Streets. William Marchant wanted to know if Street Superintendent Warwick superintended anything, what he was paid his salary for, or whether it was true that someone in authority was interfering with the result that Mr. Warwick does his superintending.

Ald. Gleason professed willingness to explain were it not that the whole matter was at present under consideration by the streets, bridges and sewers committee.

"I would like to run whoever is interfering to earth," said Mr. Marchant.

Another ratepayer complained that there were altogether too many foremen, that there was frequent lack of common-sense in the work, and in some cases on Stewart street where the earth from an excavation had been thrown up on the pipes to be laid, and these had then to be dug out to be laid!

"All comes back to having a good, efficient head in that department," said Ald. Gleason, who went on to say that both a better head and better men were needed.

He had noticed one case where the men stopped work and put away their tools some time before five and then stood around until the clock struck. This case would be investigated.

"That foreman should be fined," declared Mr. Marchant. "There has been so much laxity of late years that we are not getting the benefit out of day labor that we should. The council should take hold and go into this whole matter of the lack of system in street work."

WARD THREE AND ITS ALDERMEN

RATEPAYERS HAVE A FRIENDLY TALK TO THEM

Condition of Streets, Water Rates and Garbage Removal Discussed.

A heart to heart talk was had by half a hundred ratepayers of Ward Three, with their representatives, Aldermen Gleason and Fullerton, last night. The meeting was called as soon as the renewing of the garbage contract with Capt. W. E. Gardiner was announced, and while originally intended to deal with that matter was understood to offer the aldermen a chance to explain their year's work. A. E. Sherk presided over the meeting, held in Spring Road, Odd Fellow's hall. The garbage contract, the proposed water rates and the undoubted bad condition of the streets were the principal matters on which the ratepayers wanted information, and the aldermen were subjected to much good-natured heckling. It seemed to be the opinion of the two aldermen, when asked point blank questions about them, that the city engineer has too much to do, that the council does not properly support him, and that the foremen on street works need a shaking-up.

Ald. Gleason began by telling what had been done for the sewerage and lighting of the ward, and for the streets. He said that the only solution was an extension of the local improvement system. The council could not attend to them out of general revenue. As to the garbage contract, Capt. Gardiner's offer negotiations, agreed to handle fifty per cent, more at a saving on the present contract of \$1,072 for a year or \$1,393 a year on a two-year contract. In arriving at this figure the council took into consideration that the contractor would have an income from tickets. Ald. Gleason said he agreed with the principle of calling for tenders for city work, but in this case the city was getting a good bargain, and besides he considered no one else was in a position to handle the contract as satisfactorily as the old contractor.

"Give us figures," said J. A. Price, and other ratepayers repeated his demand. Ald. Gleason said that the estimated receipts from tickets were put at \$1,191 a year. With the \$2,822 paid under the contract the service would thus cost the ratepayers \$4,013 annually, whereas at the rate of the old contract it would cost \$3,605. The aldermen, with the aid of a blue-book, entered into a comparison of vessels and declared that Capt. Gardiner and Capt. Goodwin were the only owners of suitable tugs.

The Water Rates. On the question of water rates Ald. Gleason defended the new schedule and the frontage tax of three cents a foot. The latter, he said, would be put into a fund which would enable the city to make improvements in the service, and such works as would be necessary at Sooke lake some day, without having to borrow.

Mr. Marchant objected to the water rates being made to cover capital expenditure charges instead of these being met out of ordinary revenue.

Ald. Gleason said it was as broad as it was long. "Oh, no, it is not as broad as it is long, but the other way about," replied Mr. Marchant. "When met from ordinary revenue the owners of the vacant land you talk of in connection with the frontage tax would have to pay their share, but you propose to have residences meet the whole cost."

The latter had his chance early in the year, and was \$600 higher than Capt. Gardiner.

"Capt. Goodwin might have reduced his figures since then," suggested a ratepayer.

Ald. Gleason did not think so. "You don't know," retorted J. A. Price. "You don't know because you did not call for tenders. I think if one tenderer could do the work for less under the arrangement to collect \$50 a lead other could do it, too."

Work on the Streets. William Marchant wanted to know if Street Superintendent Warwick superintended anything, what he was paid his salary for, or whether it was true that someone in authority was interfering with the result that Mr. Warwick does his superintending.

Ald. Gleason professed willingness to explain were it not that the whole matter was at present under consideration by the streets, bridges and sewers committee.

"I would like to run whoever is interfering to earth," said Mr. Marchant.

Another ratepayer complained that there were altogether too many foremen, that there was frequent lack of common-sense in the work, and in some cases on Stewart street where the earth from an excavation had been thrown up on the pipes to be laid, and these had then to be dug out to be laid!

"All comes back to having a good, efficient head in that department," said Ald. Gleason, who went on to say that both a better head and better men were needed.

He had noticed one case where the men stopped work and put away their tools some time before five and then stood around until the clock struck. This case would be investigated.

"That foreman should be fined," declared Mr. Marchant. "There has been so much laxity of late years that we are not getting the benefit out of day labor that we should. The council should take hold and go into this whole matter of the lack of system in street work."

The latter had his chance early in the year, and was \$600 higher than Capt. Gardiner.

"Capt. Goodwin might have reduced his figures since then," suggested a ratepayer.

Ald. Gleason did not think so. "You don't know," retorted J. A. Price. "You don't know because you did not call for tenders. I think if one tenderer could do the work for less under the arrangement to collect \$50 a lead other could do it, too."

Work on the Streets. William Marchant wanted to know if Street Superintendent Warwick superintended anything, what he was paid his salary for, or whether it was true that someone in authority was interfering with the result that Mr. Warwick does his superintending.

Ald. Gleason professed willingness to explain were it not that the whole matter was at present under consideration by the streets, bridges and sewers committee.

"I would like to run whoever is interfering to earth," said Mr. Marchant.

Another ratepayer complained that there were altogether too many foremen, that there was frequent lack of common-sense in the work, and in some cases on Stewart street where the earth from an excavation had been thrown up on the pipes to be laid, and these had then to be dug out to be laid!

"All comes back to having a good, efficient head in that department," said Ald. Gleason, who went on to say that both a better head and better men were needed.

WARD THREE AND ITS ALDERMEN

RATEPAYERS HAVE A FRIENDLY TALK TO THEM

Condition of Streets, Water Rates and Garbage Removal Discussed.

A heart to heart talk was had by half a hundred ratepayers of Ward Three, with their representatives, Aldermen Gleason and Fullerton, last night. The meeting was called as soon as the renewing of the garbage contract with Capt. W. E. Gardiner was announced, and while originally intended to deal with that matter was understood to offer the aldermen a chance to explain their year's work. A. E. Sherk presided over the meeting, held in Spring Road, Odd Fellow's hall. The garbage contract, the proposed water rates and the undoubted bad condition of the streets were the principal matters on which the ratepayers wanted information, and the aldermen were subjected to much good-natured heckling. It seemed to be the opinion of the two aldermen, when asked point blank questions about them, that the city engineer has too much to do, that the council does not properly support him, and that the foremen on street works need a shaking-up.

Ald. Gleason began by telling what had been done for the sewerage and lighting of the ward, and for the streets. He said that the only solution was an extension of the local improvement system. The council could not attend to them out of general revenue. As to the garbage contract, Capt. Gardiner's offer negotiations, agreed to handle fifty per cent, more at a saving on the present contract of \$1,072 for a year or \$1,393 a year on a two-year contract. In arriving at this figure the council took into consideration that the contractor would have an income from tickets. Ald. Gleason said he agreed with the principle of calling for tenders for city work, but in this case the city was getting a good bargain, and besides he considered no one else was in a position to handle the contract as satisfactorily as the old contractor.

"Give us figures," said J. A. Price, and other ratepayers repeated his demand. Ald. Gleason said that the estimated receipts from tickets were put at \$1,191 a year. With the \$2,822 paid under the contract the service would thus cost the ratepayers \$4,013 annually, whereas at the rate of the old contract it would cost \$3,605. The aldermen, with the aid of a blue-book, entered into a comparison of vessels and declared that Capt. Gardiner and Capt. Goodwin were the only owners of suitable tugs.

The Water Rates. On the question of water rates Ald. Gleason defended the new schedule and the frontage tax of three cents a foot. The latter, he said, would be put into a fund which would enable the city to make improvements in the service, and such works as would be necessary at Sooke lake some day, without having to borrow.

Mr. Marchant objected to the water rates being made to cover capital expenditure charges instead of these being met out of ordinary revenue.

Ald. Gleason said it was as broad as it was long. "Oh, no, it is not as broad as it is long, but the other way about," replied Mr. Marchant. "When met from ordinary revenue the owners of the vacant land you talk of in connection with the frontage tax would have to pay their share, but you propose to have residences meet the whole cost."

The latter had his chance early in the year, and was \$600 higher than Capt. Gardiner.

"Capt. Goodwin might have reduced his figures since then," suggested a ratepayer.

Ald. Gleason did not think so. "You don't know," retorted J. A. Price. "You don't know because you did not call for tenders. I think if one tenderer could do the work for less under the arrangement to collect \$50 a lead other could do it, too."

Work on the Streets. William Marchant wanted to know if Street Superintendent Warwick superintended anything, what he was paid his salary for, or whether it was true that someone in authority was interfering with the result that Mr. Warwick does his superintending.

Ald. Gleason professed willingness to explain were it not that the whole matter was at present under consideration by the streets, bridges and sewers committee.

"I would like to run whoever is interfering to earth," said Mr. Marchant.

Another ratepayer complained that there were altogether too many foremen, that there was frequent lack of common-sense in the work, and in some cases on Stewart street where the earth from an excavation had been thrown up on the pipes to be laid, and these had then to be dug out to be laid!

"All comes back to having a good, efficient head in that department," said Ald. Gleason, who went on to say that both a better head and better men were needed.

He had noticed one case where the men stopped work and put away their tools some time before five and then stood around until the clock struck. This case would be investigated.

"That foreman should be fined," declared Mr. Marchant. "There has been so much laxity of late years that we are not getting the benefit out of day labor that we should. The council should take hold and go into this whole matter of the lack of system in street work."

The latter had his chance early in the year, and was \$600 higher than Capt. Gardiner.

"Capt. Goodwin might have reduced his figures since then," suggested a ratepayer.

Ald. Gleason did not think so. "You don't know," retorted J. A. Price. "You don't know because you did not call for tenders. I think if one tenderer could do the work for less under the arrangement to collect \$50 a lead other could do it, too."

Work on the Streets. William Marchant wanted to know if Street Superintendent Warwick superintended anything, what he was paid his salary for, or whether it was true that someone in authority was interfering with the result that Mr. Warwick does his superintending.

Ald. Gleason professed willingness to explain were it not that the whole matter was at present under consideration by the streets, bridges and sewers committee.

"I would like to run whoever is interfering to earth," said Mr. Marchant.

Another ratepayer complained that there were altogether too many foremen, that there was frequent lack of common-sense in the work, and in some cases on Stewart street where the earth from an excavation had been thrown up on the pipes to be laid, and these had then to be dug out to be laid!

"All comes back to having a good, efficient head in that department," said Ald. Gleason, who went on to say that both a better head and better men were needed.

WARD THREE AND ITS ALDERMEN

RATEPAYERS HAVE A FRIENDLY TALK TO THEM

Condition of Streets, Water Rates and Garbage Removal Discussed.

A heart to heart talk was had by half a hundred ratepayers of Ward Three, with their representatives, Aldermen Gleason and Fullerton, last night. The meeting was called as soon as the renewing of the garbage contract with Capt. W. E. Gardiner was announced, and while originally intended to deal with that matter was understood to offer the aldermen a chance to explain their year's work. A. E. Sherk presided over the meeting, held in Spring Road, Odd Fellow's hall. The garbage contract, the proposed water rates and the undoubted bad condition of the streets were the principal matters on which the ratepayers wanted information, and the aldermen were subjected to much good-natured heckling. It seemed to be the opinion of the two aldermen, when asked point blank questions about them, that the city engineer has too much to do, that the council does not properly support him, and that the foremen on street works need a shaking-up.

Ald. Gleason began by telling what had been done for the sewerage and lighting of the ward, and for the streets. He said that the only solution was an extension of the local improvement system. The council could not attend to them out of general revenue. As to the garbage contract, Capt. Gardiner's offer negotiations, agreed to handle fifty per cent, more at a saving on the present contract of \$1,072 for a year or \$1,393 a year on a two-year contract. In arriving at this figure the council took into consideration that the contractor would have an income from tickets. Ald. Gleason said he agreed with the principle of calling for tenders for city work, but in this case the city was getting a good bargain, and besides he considered no one else was in a position to handle the contract as satisfactorily as the old contractor.

"Give us figures," said J. A. Price, and other ratepayers repeated his demand. Ald. Gleason said that the estimated receipts from tickets were put at \$1,191 a year. With the \$2,822 paid under the contract the service would thus cost the ratepayers \$4,013 annually, whereas at the rate of the old contract it would cost \$3,605. The aldermen, with the aid of a blue-book, entered into a comparison of vessels and declared that Capt. Gardiner and Capt. Goodwin were the only owners of suitable tugs.

The Water Rates. On the question of water rates Ald. Gleason defended the new schedule and the frontage tax of three cents a foot. The latter, he said, would be put into a fund which would enable the city to make improvements in the service, and such works as would be necessary at Sooke lake some day, without having to borrow.

Mr. Marchant objected to the water rates being made to cover capital expenditure charges instead of these being met out of ordinary revenue.

Ald. Gleason said it was as broad as it was long. "Oh, no, it is not as broad as it is long, but the other way about," replied Mr. Marchant. "When met from ordinary revenue the owners of the vacant land you talk of in connection with the frontage tax would have to pay their share, but you propose to have residences meet the whole cost."

The latter had his chance early in the year, and was \$600 higher than Capt. Gardiner.

"Capt. Goodwin might have reduced his figures since then," suggested a ratepayer.

Ald. Gleason did not think so. "You don't know," retorted J. A. Price. "You don't know because you did not call for tenders. I think if one tenderer could do the work for less under the arrangement to collect \$50 a lead other could do it, too."

Work on the Streets. William Marchant wanted to know if Street Superintendent Warwick superintended anything, what he was paid his salary for, or whether it was true that someone in authority was interfering with the result that Mr. Warwick does his superintending.

Ald. Gleason professed willingness to explain were it not that the whole matter was at present under consideration by the streets, bridges and sewers committee.

"I would like to run whoever is interfering to earth," said Mr. Marchant.

Another ratepayer complained that there were altogether too many foremen, that there was frequent lack of common-sense in the work, and in some cases on Stewart street where the earth from an excavation had been thrown up on the pipes to be laid, and these had then to be dug out to be laid!

"All comes back to having a good, efficient head in that department," said Ald. Gleason, who went on to say that both a better head and better men were needed.

He had noticed one case where the men stopped work and put away their tools some time before five and then stood around until the clock struck. This case would be investigated.

"That foreman should be fined," declared Mr. Marchant. "There has been so much laxity of late years that we are not getting the benefit out of day labor that we should. The council should take hold and go into this whole matter of the lack of system in street work."

The latter had his chance early in the year, and was \$600 higher than Capt. Gardiner.

"Capt. Goodwin might have reduced his figures since then," suggested a ratepayer.

**R. P. RITHET & Co., Ltd.**

AGENTS FOR

**Vancouver-Portland  
Cement**

**NEW YEAR BARGAINS**

3 LBS. MIXED NUTS ..... 50¢  
LARGE NAVEI ORANGES, per dozen ..... 25¢  
4 LBS. NICE RED TABLE APPLES ..... 25¢  
LARGE TABLE RAISINS, per lb. .... 25¢

PURE PORK SAUSAGE  
PURE PORK SAUSAGES

**The Family Cash Grocery**

Cor. Yates and Douglas Streets.

Tel. 312

**START  
THE YEAR**

**With a Good Fountain  
Pen**

**The English Post Pen**

For which we are sole agents, is the kind of pen to carry, being reliable and always ready for use.

**PRICES \$3 UP.**

**As a Good Resolution  
Why Not Decide to Buy One  
of Our Umbrellas?**

We only stock the best quality, and guarantee every one to give satisfactory service. And an umbrella will be a necessity for the next four or five months. We have a number of excellent values, at from

**\$5 to \$15.**

**REDFERN'S**

1009 GOV'T STREET, VICTORIA, B. C.

NEW! NEW! NEW!

We have just received a choice assortment of our

**Ready-To-Wear Suits and Overcoats**

Remember, these are not the ordinary ready-made, but strictly made to order in various sizes. Call and we will explain the difference of the two kinds.

**PEDEN'S, 611 Fort St., Victoria**

**Engine Room Supplies.**



Cotton Waste  
Swart's Packings  
Asbestos Goods  
Lubricating Oils  
Etc., Etc.

FOR STEAMER, MILL, MINE  
OR SMELTER

**E. B. MARVIN & CO.**  
THE SHIP CHANDLERS 1206 WHARF ST.

**Subscribe for The Times**

**GROWTH OF CITY BIG**

**SURPRISE TO VISITOR**

Maintains Cost of Living is Lower Than on Mainland.

"It is as different in the last four years as day and night," said H. J. Knox, of Chilliwack, this morning at the Dominion hotel in referring to the many changes noticeable in the city of Victoria since 1905. During that period, said Mr. Knox, this city has donned a new garb and grown in such a manner that it is now hardly recognizable. New and substantial buildings have been erected and stand where four years ago were vacant blocks in the city and vacant fields in the suburbs.

When four years ago he was here, Mr. Knox remembers big vacant spaces around Oak Bay and recalled the shooting of game in the municipality which has had since that time had to close down on sportsmen owing to the rapid settlement and increase of the number of residences within its bounds.

Out in the direction of Mount Tolmie Mr. Knox has also noticed a rapid development and was surprised at the large number of handsome dwellings which have been erected there and are now permanently occupied by families. In the intervening time he mentions among the additions to the city the Merchants' bank building, Yates and Douglas streets, the Empress hotel, the addition to the Dominion hotel and the completion of the Carnegie library. The dwellings, however, he speaks of with more admiration and praise, pointing as they do to the increase in population and quick permanent settlement of the near outskirts of the city.

Mr. Knox attributed the rapid growth largely to the climate. Other reasons, however, are found for Victoria's rapid advancement in her excellent geographical position and the low cost of living here. He contradicts positively the statement that Victoria is more expensive to reside in than many other towns. Living here is cheaper he declares than in Chilliwack and on the mainland, while the hotel accommodation is equal to any city in British Columbia and superior to most. Mr. Knox has been a resident of British Columbia for some thirty odd years and has been through Victoria often, having lived here some years ago. He says he has watched the development of Victoria for a long period and has still been surprised at its growth within the last four years.

**SANTA CLAUS AT Y. M. C. A.**

Boys' Department Was Entertained Last Evening at Local Quarters.

The first Christmas tree entertainment ever held by the local Y. M. C. A. took place in the auditorium last evening. R. C. Horn, the vice-president of the association, presided. In his opening speech he said that it was the largest gathering under the auspices of the boys' department he had ever witnessed in the local Y. M. C. A. The room was crowded with boys, their parents and friends.

A good programme was given, piano solos being rendered by Mrs. Brace and Miss Willis, while Reggie McKeown gave a recitation. Clarence Harris secured a box of chocolates as first prize in a guessing competition. Chas. Hopper made an excellent Santa Claus and presented to each member of the department a badge containing the letter "B," which is to be worn on the front of the jerseys. Every one in the audience was presented with a big bag of candy. Coffee, tea and cake were served after which the gathering broke up after a delightful evening had been passed.

**PRAIRIE CLUB.**

Meeting Will Be Held Wednesday For Election of Officers.

A meeting of the Prairie Club will be held at the rooms on Government street, on Wednesday, January 21st, for the election of officers and the transaction of other important business. A financial statement for the year 1908, will be submitted. Prizes for the Five Hundred tournament will be awarded.

The Prairie Club has the reputation for being good entertainers, and it is likely that at this gathering cigars and other refreshments will be served. All members are asked to attend.

**AERIAL NAVIGATION COMPANY.**

New York \$20,000,000 Concern—Airships 700 Feet Long With Accommodation for 100 Persons.

New York, Dec. 31.—Announcement was made yesterday of the proposed organization of the Aerial Navigation Company, with principal offices in New York City, and a capital of \$20,000,000. Thorlow Weed Barnes, known in connection with large Chinese railway operations, is to be president of the new company, and Lewis Nixon, the well known shipbuilder, is to serve as chief engineer and superintendent of construction. Other men of prominence, it is stated, are interested in the company. The company proposes to build airships 700 feet or more in length, with a diameter of about eighty feet, and with accommodation for at least 100 people.

**FRANCO-CANADIAN TREATY.**

London Times' Paris Correspondent Says Hon. W. S. Fielding Will Succeed in Getting Ratification.

London, Dec. 31.—The Times' Paris correspondent says there is reason to believe that Hon. W. S. Fielding will succeed in obtaining the ratification of the Franco-Canadian treaty and points out that if Germany also obtains the advantage of the Canadian middle tariff the value of British preference will almost disappear.

**DEATH OF U. S. CONSUL.**

Kenora, Ont., Dec. 31.—John Dean, United States consul here, and secretary of the board of trade, is dead from diabetes. He was well known throughout the west.

**Campbell**

Everything Ready-to-Wear for Ladies and Children

**Campbell**

THE FASHION CENTER

THE FASHION CENTER

**GREAT SALE**

Will Commence at 9 a. m. Saturday, Jan. 2nd

When every garment in our magnificent Aggregation of feminine finery will be tremendously reduced in price. Space forbids fulsome description. We give the reductions—you see the goods.

**Costumes**

Stylish Costumes in smart serges, values up to \$15. Sale Price **\$9.75**  
Fine Costumes in very attractive cloths, values up to \$25. Sale Price ..... **\$14.50**  
Beautiful Costumes, exclusive designs, most fashionable cloths, values to \$35. Sale Price. **\$18.50**  
Very Special—We have just received about forty-eight 1909 Spring Sample Costumes, varying from the smartly elaborate to the severely plain. We have decided to give our customers the additional attraction of these advanced goods, they go into the sale at Sale Prices.



**Coats**

Campbell's Coats are noted for grace, style and economy throughout the West. Our sale offering of coat creations will enhance that reputation. Here are the prices showing the tremendous reductions:

All \$9 values. Sale Price.... **\$4.50**  
All \$12 values. Sale Price.... **\$6.00**  
All \$15 values. Sale Price.... **\$7.50**  
All \$18 values. Sale Price.... **\$9.00**  
All \$20 values. Sale Price.... **\$10.00**  
All \$25 values. Sale Price.... **\$12.50**  
All \$30 values. Sale Price.... **\$15.00**  
All \$45 values. Sale Price.... **\$22.50**  
All \$50 values. Sale Price.... **\$25.00**



**Skirts**

All our Costume Skirts are greatly reduced in price, but herein we have only room to mention the lines of extraordinary great value:

Costume Skirts in ladies' cloths, Panama and stylish Venetians, twenty-two in number, no two alike, values to \$7. Sale Price ..... **\$5.00**  
Costume Skirts in gray and fancy tweed cloths, amongst which are many new samples, all reduced to, Sale Price. **\$3**  
Costume Skirts in green, blue and brown Venetians. Sale Price ..... **\$5.00**

We have many more costume skirts, but as they are individual and exclusive designs it is impossible to give particulars of all.



**Blouses**

Our Blouses are deservedly popular; our Sale Prices will increase that popularity.

White Muslin Blouses, all values up to \$4.25 grouped together. Sale Price ..... **\$1.75**

Flannelette Blouses, a splendid assortment of regular \$1.25. Sale Price ..... **90¢**

Serge, Lustre and Cashmere Blouses, this season's prettiest effects, all our \$2.25 and \$2.75 at, Sale Price ..... **\$1.75**

Delaine, Serge and Flannel Blouses, the smartest of this season's creations, an extraordinary fine selection, values from \$3.25 to \$4.50 massed together at the ridiculously low Sale Price. **\$2.50**



**Underwear**

Natural Wool Vests, ladies'. Sale Price ..... **35¢**  
Natural and White Wool Vests, ladies', long or short sleeves. Reg. 90c. Sale Price..... **50¢**  
Natural and White Wool Vests, ladies', high necks, long sleeves. Regular \$1. Sale Price ..... **75¢**  
Combinations, ladies', ankle length. Sale Price ..... **\$1.75**  
Ladies' Drawers, ankle length. Reg. \$1.00. Sale Price ..... **75¢**  
Extra Special—A quantity of fine sample vests, ladies', \$1.50 values. Sale Price ..... **\$1**



**Underwear**

Children's Vests, of which we have an exceptionally fine stock, fleec lined, high necks, long sleeves, reduced as undermentioned:

All Children's 50c Vests. Sale Price ..... **35¢**  
All Children's 65c Vests. Sale Price ..... **50¢**  
All Children's 75c Vests. Sale Price ..... **60¢**  
All Children's 90c Vests. Sale Price ..... **75¢**  
Children's Vests and Drawers, natural wool. Regular \$1, Sale, **75¢**  
Regular 75c. Sale ..... **60¢**

**Hosiery**

**THREE LINES OF GREAT VALUE**

Ladies' Hose, plain or ribbed, in all wool, llama. Sale Price ..... **35¢**  
Ladies' Hose, plain or ribbed in selected llama wool, very exceptional value at, Sale Price **45¢**  
Ladies' Hose, extra fine plain llama, regular 75c. Sale Price ..... **60¢**  
Extra Special Boys' Hose, in selected, heavy, non-irritant wools, values up to 50c. Sale Price **25¢**



**Dressing Gowns**

Flannelette Wrappers, reg. \$2.25. Sale..... **\$1.25**  
Dressing Gowns, regular \$1.75. Sale..... **\$1.25**  
Dressing Gowns, regular \$2.75. Sale..... **\$1.50**  
Dressing Gowns, regular \$3.25. Sale..... **\$2.25**  
Dressing Gowns, regular \$3.75. Sale..... **\$2.75**  
Dressing Gowns, regular \$4.75. Sale..... **\$3.75**  
Eiderdown Robes, regular \$7.50. Sale..... **\$6.00**  
Eiderdown Robes, regular \$8.50. Sale..... **\$6.50**  
Eiderdown Robes, regular \$9.50. Sale..... **\$7.00**

**Night Gowns**

Flannelette, white or pink, reg. \$1.25. Sale ..... **\$1**  
Flannelette, white or pink, reg. \$1.50. Sale ..... **\$1.15**  
Flannelette, white, regular \$1.60. Sale ..... **\$1.25**  
Flannelette, white, regular \$2.25. Sale ..... **\$1.75**  
Flannelette, white, regular \$2.50. Sale ..... **\$2**  
Children's Nightgowns, regular 90c and \$1.00. Sale ..... **75¢**  
Children's Nightgowns, regular \$1.25. Sale ..... **\$1.00**



**Drawers**

Our Flannelette Underwear is specially manufactured for us out of selected fabrics, noted for their purity and warmth giving qualities. At the regular prices they are remarkable value—at sale prices they are phenomenal value!

Flannelette Skirts (ladies') white, regular 90c and \$1. Sale Price..... **75¢**  
Ladies' Drawers, reg. 60c. Sale Price ..... **40¢**  
Ladies' Drawers, regular 75c. Sale Price..... **50¢**  
Ladies' Drawers, regular 90c. Sale Price ..... **65¢**



All Children's Coats and Frocks Tremendously Reduced

**ANGUS CAMPBELL & CO.**

The Ladies' Store

Promis Block, 1010 Government Street, Victoria

NO GOODS CHARGED

NO GOODS ON APPKG.

The Daily Times

Published daily (excepting Sunday) by THE TIMES PRINTING & PUBLISHING CO. LIMITED.

Subscription Rates: Daily—City delivery \$6.00 per month. By mail (exclusive of city) \$7.00 per month.

Advertising Rates: For advertising rates see classified page.

SPECIAL AGENTS: Clougher, 30 Outer Temple, Strand, London, W. C.

SELLING AGENTS: The DAILY TIMES is on sale at the following places in Victoria.

Str. Chalmers, Str. Princess Royal, Str. Princess Victoria, E. & N. Wharfedale, E. & N. Trauma, W. & S. Tennyson, C. P. R. Train, Ladysmith—G. A. Katz, Seattle—Acme News Co.

THE DYING YEAR.

"Shake hands before you die, old year, we'll rue for you," says the poet Tennyson in bidding farewell to the dying year.

The citizens of Victoria, looking back, have absolutely no reason to rue the year 1908. From a purely material point of view it has been one of the most active periods in our history.

The citizens of Victoria, looking back, have absolutely no reason to rue the year 1908. From a purely material point of view it has been one of the most active periods in our history.

No, when the account is balanced, we cannot sincerely say that the old year has been either unprofitable or unkind. We have no reason whatever to rue it. We are sorry to bid it goodbye.

It is a melancholy reflection for those not directly affected, is the utter impossibility of giving timely relief to the wounded and the thousands still alive but buried and unable to release themselves from the ruins.

CABINET REPRESENTATION.

We regret more than we can fittingly express to observe that the passing of the year brings no reasonable thoughts to the mind of the Colonist.

Only the other day the newspaper in question, having as it appears to believe, washed away the stains left upon its poor soul by mendacious conduct in the recent political campaign, announced that it had again mounted the stool of political repentance.

The Colonist has repeatedly stated its belief that Mr. Templeman had administered his department satisfactorily. Neither did it raise any objection to him personally.

Experience suggested that possibly the first reports of the extent of the disaster in Southern Italy would be modified by later news. But it appears the loss of life has been even greater than first advices indicated.

THE ITALIAN CALAMITY.

Experience suggested that possibly the first reports of the extent of the disaster in Southern Italy would be modified by later news. But it appears the loss of life has been even greater than first advices indicated.

The restoration of communication in the region of the earthquake's disaster may yet prove that the loss of life was not so great as later reports would lead the world to believe.

THE GOD OF SPEED.

As the world's activities broaden we must go faster. The recent increase in speed records makes one wonder if it is possible for the future to excel them.

For convenience in comparing speeds made on land by various vehicles, as well as by horses and men, the following table of mile records has been prepared.

Table of mile records: Electric locomotive, 27 seconds, 1903. Automobile, 23 1/2 seconds, 1902. Steam locomotive, 33 seconds, 1893. Motor-paced cycle, 1 minute 6 1/2 seconds, 1904.

ANTIQUITY OF THE DOLL.

Who played with the first doll? How was it fashioned? When and where was it born? are questions easily asked, but not so easily answered.

SOCIAL EVENING.

Choir of First Presbyterian Church Enjoy Hospitality of Mayor and Mrs. Hall.

Last evening at the home of Mayor Hall the choir of the First Presbyterian church spent a most enjoyable time.

TIDE TABLE.

Tide table for Victoria, B. C., December 30th. Date, Time Ht. Time Ht. Time Ht. Time Ht.

FOR EARTHQUAKE SUFFERERS.

Tuesday, Dec. 31.—The Board of Control has voted five thousand dollars for the relief of the sufferers by the Italian Sicilian earthquake.

HORROR GROWING IN MAGNITUDE

OFFICIAL ESTIMATE OF EARTHQUAKE'S DEAD

Number May Greatly Exceed 115,000—Scenes of the Weirdest Description.

Rome, Dec. 31.—Slowly the measure of the disaster that has depopulated Calabria and eastern Sicily, is being taken and as the reports accumulate, it is seen that the estimates in no sense exaggerated the horror and extent of the visitation.

To-day the pitiable plight of the survivors claims universal attention. The relief of their sufferings calls for the concentrated effort of all the energies of the nation.

BUILDING IN THE PAST YEAR

RECORD OVER MILLION AND A QUARTER

These Figures Are Exclusive of the Large Values in Suburbs.

The building inspector has closed his books for 1908 and shows a total value of building during the year, for which permits have been issued, of \$1,300,000.

In addition to this, there has been \$4,000 worth of work done by the Dominion government on the immigration hall and post office, and \$3,000 by the provincial government at Government House.

DAVID SPENCER LIMITED

Advertisement for David Spencer Limited. Text: "We Take This Opportunity Of Wishing Our Friends and Patrons a Happy and Prosperous New Year." Includes details about Saturday's 'Times' sale and Monday morning sale on January 4th.

Advertisement for Thorpe's Pale Dry Ginger Ale. Text: "Thorpe's Pale Dry Ginger Ale. Prize Medal and Diploma at World's Fair."

Advertisement for Walter S. Fraser & Co. Limited. Text: "Walter S. Fraser & Co. Limited. Dealers in GENERAL HARDWARE FOR NEW YEAR'S GIFTS."

Advertisement for Thomson Stationery Co. Text: "THOMSON STATIONERY CO. 325 HASTINGS ST. VANCOUVER, B. C."

Advertisement for Otto Higell Piano Action. Text: "When buying your Piano insist on having an OTTO HIGELL Piano Action."

Advertisement for Deaville, Sons & Co. Text: "DEAVILLE, SONS & CO. HILLSIDE AVE. AND FIRST ST. PHONE 324"

### IMPERFECT DIGESTION

Causes a thousand ills, such as constipation, that mother of maladies, sour stomach, biliousness, water-brash, dyspepsia, etc.

### BOWES' LIVER AND IN-DIGESTION CURE

Is a marvellous remedy for these, one we can safely recommend. It has benefited hundreds and will benefit you.

50c Per Bottle at this Store.

### CYRUS H. BOWES

CHEMIST  
Government St., Near Yates  
VICTORIA, B. C.

### FOR THE NEW YEAR

Try a new way  
**STOP PAYING RENT**

He is a fine offer:

### A GOOD COTTAGE

Containing 7 rooms, on Coburg St., James Bay, near Dumas Road and sea beach; lot 60 x 120.

PRICE, \$2,200  
TERMS TO SUIT.

F. R. BROWN, LTD.  
1130 BROAD ST.  
Phone 1974.

### SNAPS IN BUILDING LOTS

F. FIELD ESTATE—3 lots, all level, \$1,100.  
TAUNTON STREET—3 lots, close to car line, \$700.  
NORTH PARK STREET—Large lot, close in, \$1,000.  
CALEDONIA AVENUE—Fine Building lot, \$1,050.

### L. U. CONYERS & CO.

18 VIEW STREET  
Fire Insurance Written  
Money to Loan.



### THE COMPANY

Of the People  
By the People  
For the People

### ITS POLICYHOLDERS

Own Everything  
Control Everything  
Get Everything

### R. L. DRURY

Manager  
518 Government St.

### TIMES AD. CALENDAR

### DECEMBER

31

No more "half-way" advertising for your store—and you will no longer have a half-way kind of a store. Answer an ad. to-day—ending the old year right.

### Local News

Saws sharpened and gummed. Sign of the Big Key, 61 Fort street.

January Bargain Sale.—Special reductions on all lines for this sale. You can save money by buying at Robinson's Cash Store, 642 Yates Street.

Heavy bark wood, cut 12 inches for grate and heater. Cameron Lumber Company, Ltd., Phone 519.

To Seattle 25c, S.S. Whatcom daily except Thursday, at 8 p. m.

If you want to buy, sell or exchange anything, call at Brown's Auction Mart, 742 Fort street.

Old pianos made new, scrapped off and finished in any color desired.—The Woodworkers, Ltd., 731 Johnson street, Phone 1185.

January Bargain Sale.—Blankets, Comforters, White and Colored Quilts, Sheetings, Towels, Flannelettes, Hosiery and Underwear all at reduced prices for this sale. Robinson's Cash Store, 642 Yates Street.

Do not forget that you can get an express or truck at any hour you may wish. Always keep your checks until you have seen us, as we will save you the 10c on each trunk you have to pay to baggage agents on trains and boats. We will check your baggage from your hotel or residence, also store it, see us before you make your arrangements. We guarantee to satisfy everyone on price and the way we handle your goods. We consider it a favor if you will report any overcharges or incivility on part of our help.

Pacific Transfer Company, Phone 349, 53 Fort St.

Liberal Rooms. Phone 1794.

To Seattle 25c, S.S. Whatcom daily except Thursday, at 8 p. m.

Ten per cent off all bon-bons until New Year's day. A few nice ones left at Acton Bros., 550 Yates. Telephone 1061.

Two Sale Specials for Saturday.—White and Colored English Quilts, 55c; large size White and Brown Bath Towels, 15c each. Robinson's Cash Store, 642 Yates Street.

To Seattle 25c, S.S. Whatcom daily except Thursday, at 8 p. m.

Just arrived a shipment of fine Australian butter—2 lbs. for 75c. Acton Bros., 550 Yates street.

Office and pocket diaries in all sizes. Also complete office outfits to be had at the Standard Stationery Co., 1220 Government street.

A dramatic and musical entertainment will be given on the evening of New Year's Day by the King's Daughters of Methuon, in the Metropolitan hall. The farce, "Cressed," will be produced by local amateurs. Refreshments will be served. All friends from the town are cordially invited to attend.

### DON'T FORGET

That the best way to reach the human heart, is by feeding the body well. There is no cholier, cleaner or better stock of Groceries anywhere than mine. I make it a point to deliver orders promptly and just as ordered. Try me on an order for any of the following:

- CANADA CREAM CHEESE, per lb. 10c
- INGERSOLL CREAM CHEESE, per lb. 10c
- ROQUEFORT CHEESE, per lb. 25c
- M'LAREN'S IMPERIAL CHEESE, per lb. 25c and 50c

### Carne's Up-to-date Grocery

Next to C. P. R. Office. Phone 586. Cor. Fort and Govt. Sts.

### The Underwear That Everybody Likes

CARTWRIGHT & WARNER'S, DR. JAEGER'S, STANFIELD'S, TURNBULL'S, BRITANNIA!

These are made of pure wool, and range in prices from \$1.00 to \$4.00 per garment.

We also carry a full line of Welch Hargrove's Flannel Shirts of all weights and colors. Prices from \$2.00 up to \$5.00.

A SPECIAL IN FLANNEL SHIRTS.

An English Flannel Shirt, sets regular at \$2.00, to clear at \$1.25 each.

### FINCH & FINCH

HATTERS  
1107 GOVERNMENT STREET.  
Sole Agents for ATKINSON'S IRISH POPLIN TIES.

All deacons of the First Baptist church are requested to meet to-night at 9:30 o'clock in Victoria hall, as business of importance will be discussed.

Geo. Collins, the pugnacious San Francisco lawyer who played such an important part in extradition proceedings here a few years ago, is again in the California courts. He is applying for a writ of habeas corpus.

Fred Van Sickle, the local barber who was connected with the shooting affray in San Francisco, will it is believed be allowed to go free without punishment. The woman who was shot proves to have been only slightly wounded and refuses to prosecute.

Kirk & Co., Ltd., recently organized to engage in the manufacture of soda water and ice, was duly incorporated yesterday. The following directors were appointed: C. W. Kirk, William Mable and C. L. Kirk. The capital stock of the company is \$10,000.

The year closed in the city police court with a clean sheet. There has been an almost entire absence of offences of any sort on the calendar during the holiday season, testifying to the efficiency of the police force and the regard for the law always shown in Victoria.

William Scott, re-ensetting ward three in the Saanich council, will likely be a candidate again this year, owing to the strong representations made by his friends to consent to run. E. H. Sewell, whose name has been mentioned, will not be a candidate at the approaching election.

### OPENED JAPANESE HOME.

Enjoyable Evening at Methodist Mission on Pandora Avenue.

The formal opening of the new Japanese Mission property, on Pandora avenue, lately known as the Corona house, but now acquired by the Methodist church for their work among the Japanese of this city, took place last evening.

The rooms were crowded by an interested audience of English speaking and Chinese people as well as by the Japanese themselves. P. E. Kawabara, the missionary in charge, occupied the chair, and called upon the speakers and others, who were to take part in the programme. The children from the Chinese home delighted the audience, as usual, with their singing. Some well given recitations of portions of the scripture in English were given by the members of the missions, and a Japanese song was illustrated by appropriate motions by a very agile son of the Empire.

Speeches were delivered by Revs. John Robson, B. A., of Nanaimo, and S. J. Thompson, Miss Preston, who had spent many years in Japan, spoke to the natives of that country in their own tongue, and Mr. Kanazawa, Methodist missionary of Vancouver, gave an interesting address in the same language. There were other short speeches, and at the close the presents from a large Christmas tree were distributed to all the visitors, and refreshments were served.

Another instance of unsportsmanlike conduct on the part of those who carry guns in the woods around the city occurred last Sunday at Somers Lake when two youths, with a .22 rifle are reported to have taken a pot shot at R. R. Smith's prize Irish Setter bitch. The dog has since died.

Mr. Smith, who is a resident of Victoria West, was out with Mr. Tait. While his bitch was industriously working in search of game one of the lads, with the rifle in hand, is alleged to have shot the dog. While Mr. Tait went to the dog Mr. Tait cured the boy, who claimed the shot had been fired at a chicken. The boys were taken to Duncan and placed in charge of the authorities, who undertook to investigate. Nellie, the dog in question, was specially prized, having won the open and winner's classes at the last Victoria and Vancouver shows.

### A HAPPY NEW YEAR

TO OUR FRIENDS OLD AND NEW GREAT AND SMALL

IS THE SINCERE WISH OF

### Fletcher Bros.

VICTORIA'S LARGEST MUSIC HOUSE

### START THE NEW YEAR

With the correct time in your home by purchasing one of our unrivalled values in

### CLOCKS

FROM \$1 TO \$100

We make a specialty of Mission Clocks, prices \$2.50 to \$15.00. As these handsome Clocks match the popular mission-furniture and harmonize well with any other, a Mission Clock forms a fine New Year's present.

### W. H. Wilkerson

The Jeweller  
915 GOVERNMENT STREET  
Telephone 1606

### CORNELL MINE SHIPS

HIGH GRADE ORE

### Tyee Smelter at Ladysmith

Will Handle the Output.

Texada Island is again coming into prominence from a mining standpoint. This time it is the Cornell mine that is producing high class ore. S. G. Faulkner, treasurer and president of the Northern Texas Mine, Limited, which owns the Cornell mine, paid a flying visit to Victoria yesterday.

He has decided to ship his ore to the Tyee smelter at Ladysmith, and received yesterday the assay results of the first shipment of ore from the new bodies cut a few weeks ago. The first class ore netted over \$20 per ton, after payment of all freight and smelter charges, and Mr. Faulkner is evidently well pleased with the result, which is convincing proof of the value of the recent discoveries.

### WEEKLY WEATHER REPORT.

Victoria—Religious Office, December 29 to 31, 1908.

Victoria—Bright sunshine recorded, 12 hours; highest temperature, 53 on 29th; lowest, 35 on 29th; rain, 2.8 inches.

Vancouver—Bright sunshine recorded, 11 hours 54 minutes; highest temperature, 50 on 29th; lowest, 39 on 29th; rain, 2.18 inches.

New Westminster—Highest temperature, 48 on 29th; lowest, 38 on 29th; rain, 2.38 inches.

Kamloops—Highest temperature, 46 on 29th; lowest, 39 on 29th; precipitation, .15 inch.

Barkerville—Highest temperature, 52 on 29th and 27th; lowest, 19 on 29th; snow, 12.4 inches.

Alton—Highest temperature, 46 on 29th; lowest, 22 below zero on 29th; snow, 12 inch.

Dawson—Highest temperature, 3 on 29th; lowest, 48 below zero on 29th; snow, 2.4 inches.

### VALUED DOG SHOT.

Steps Are Taken to Punish Those Who Are Responsible for Act.

Another instance of unsportsmanlike conduct on the part of those who carry guns in the woods around the city occurred last Sunday at Somers Lake when two youths, with a .22 rifle are reported to have taken a pot shot at R. R. Smith's prize Irish Setter bitch. The dog has since died.

Mr. Smith, who is a resident of Victoria West, was out with Mr. Tait. While his bitch was industriously working in search of game one of the lads, with the rifle in hand, is alleged to have shot the dog. While Mr. Tait went to the dog Mr. Tait cured the boy, who claimed the shot had been fired at a chicken. The boys were taken to Duncan and placed in charge of the authorities, who undertook to investigate. Nellie, the dog in question, was specially prized, having won the open and winner's classes at the last Victoria and Vancouver shows.

### PANTAGES THEATRE.

Amusing Features of Bill at House This Week.

Despite the fact that the main attraction announced for Pantages this week did not arrive and its place was necessarily filled by acts of minor merit, there are pleasing features about the show taken as a whole. The burlesque musical offering by "Silent" Tait and his wife a full of lighter surprises and keeps the audience in a continual state of merriment. Sinal, the Russian violinist, plays some very pleasing selections, and the shadow-graph exhibition of the Durybelle sisters is interesting. The above numbers assisted by the Crane Bros. as "Mud-town Rubes," Jean Clipper, Harry DeVera with a song illustration and the biograph showing the "Effects of a Shave" makes up the revised programme.

The annual Sunday school entertainment of St. Saviour's church will be held on Thursday evening, January 14th.

### NEW YEAR'S SERVICES IN THE CHURCHES

Many Congregations Will Worship at Midnight Hour—Other Arrangements.

To-day closes the year 1908 and at midnight the new year will be ushered in with the usual accompaniment. While vast throngs will doubtless celebrate the event on the street with the dim of strange noises, others will as usual await the passing of the old and the advent of the new in their homes.

In many of the churches there will be watch night services, while to-morrow, New Year's day, several of the city churches will be open for worship.

At St. Barnabas' church Rev. E. G. Miller will conduct services beginning at 11.30 and continuing until after midnight.

At St. John's church, with Rev. A. Stanley Ard officiating, similar services will be held, commencing at the same hour.

At the Metropolitan Methodist church a social will be held between the hours of 7.30 o'clock and 10.30 o'clock, under the auspices of the Epworth League. A good programme has been prepared, and all those who attend are assured a good time. At 11.15 o'clock the watch night services will commence and be continued until midnight. Rev. T. E. Helling will conduct the services.

At the Centennial Methodist church services will commence at 11 o'clock and last for one hour. A special sermon will be preached by the pastor, Rev. S. J. Thompson.

At 8 o'clock this morning a suitable service will be held in the First Presbyterian church. Rev. Dr. Campbell will preach on that occasion.

At St. Saviour's church, Victoria West, instead of a watch night service, there will be a special service at 8 o'clock, when the pastor, Rev. C. E. Cooper, will probably read the Litany in addition to special prayers, and deliver a suitable address. It will not exceed an hour in length.

The First Baptist congregation will hold watch night services to-night, commencing at 8 o'clock in Victoria hall.

The usual watch night service will be held in the Church of Our Lord, commencing at 11 p. m. and closing shortly after midnight. Members of other churches which do not hold a similar service are asked to unite in this service.

A New Year's eve social and watch night service will be held this evening at the home of Rev. A. E. Roberts, pastor of Victoria West Methodist church. The social will begin at 8 o'clock and at 11 p. m. the service will be held, finishing with the sound of the midnight chimes. It is expected that a large number of the congregation will be present.

On New Year's morning at 11 o'clock in the St. Andrew's Presbyterian church, Rev. W. Leslie Clay will preach an appropriate sermon.

Morning prayer, with probably an address, will be held at 11 o'clock to-morrow, in Christ Church cathedral, when the bishop will be present. The communion service will also be celebrated at 8 a. m., the festival of the Saviour's circumcision falling upon New Year's day.

The annual meeting for believers will be held at Gospel hall, Pandora street, on New Year's day, at 10 a. m., 2 and 7 p. m. On January 2nd services will be held at 1 and 7 p. m., and on January 3rd at 3 and 7 p. m. These meetings are open to all, and it is specially requested that all those who are interested in the study of the Scripture will attend.

### BOWLING COMPETITION.

Davie's Team Defeated Fairall's Five in Last Night's Competition.

On the elite bowling alley in the house league last night Davie's team won from Fairall's five by 124 pins. The scores were as follows:

	Total Ave.
Davie	452
Cusack	454
Mclimoy	493
Archibald	482
Stevens	516
	257
Total Ave.	424

Fairall	424
Petticrew	554
Harris	624
Holley	581
Bell	100
	2123
Total Ave.	412

Petticrew had the highest score, 212, and also the highest average, 196.

Next night Hick's team will play Aaronson's five.

### WEATHER BULLETIN.

Daily Report Furnished by the Victoria Meteorological Department.

Victoria, Dec. 31.—5 a. m.—The northern high barometer area has greatly increased and now covers the entire Middle and West provinces and states, and the west provinces and states are intensely cold; on the Pacific slope the pressure is lowest on the Californian coast, and snow is falling on the plateau districts in Eastern Oregon and Washington.

Forecasts.

For 24 hours ending 5 p. m. Friday. Victoria and vicinity—Northerly and easterly winds, chiefly cloudy and cold, with snow to-night or Friday.

Lower Mainland—Easterly winds, mostly cloudy and cold, with snow to-night or Friday.

Reports.

Victoria—Barometer, 30.12; temperature, 35; minimum, 25; wind, 12 miles N. E.; weather, clear.

New Westminster—Barometer, 30.20; temperature, 38; minimum, 28; wind, calm; weather, cloudy.

Kamloops—Barometer, 30.42; temperature, 5; minimum, 6; wind, 4 miles S. W.; weather, cloudy.

San Francisco—Barometer, 30.38; temperature, 42; minimum, 42; wind, 5 miles N.; weather, clear.

Edmonton—Barometer, 30.32; temperature, 22 below; minimum, 26 below; wind, 4 miles S. W.; weather, clear.

The regular meeting of the Victoria Laborers' Protective Union has been postponed from Friday evening, January 1st, to Tuesday evening, January 5th, at which time all members are requested to be in attendance.

FRESH PORK SAURAGES, per lb. 10c.  
**For Wise Buyers Greatly Reduced Prices**  
On all our stock of Bon-Bons to clear quickly. This is a fine opportunity for New Year's Day festivities. Also a few BONES FANCY CHOCOLATES, just right for those New Year Gifts you are going to send.  
NAVEL ORANGES, per dozen, 50c.  
**WM. B. HALL**  
FAMILY GROCER AND PROVISION MERCHANT.  
1817 DOUGLAS STREET TEL. 917

**London and Lancashire Fire Insurance Company.**  
Capital \$11,142,875. Security, \$21,163,600  
**Robert Ward & Co., Ltd.**  
GENERAL AGENTS FOR BRITISH COLUMBIA  
VICTORIA VANCOUVER

**UNIVERSITY WOMEN'S CLUB HOLDS RECEPTION**  
Pleasant Evening Spent—Number of Visitors From Vancouver Present.  
Last evening at the Alexandra Club rooms the University Women's Club, of Victoria, held their first reception. There were about a hundred guests present, besides ten members of the University Women's Club, of Vancouver, in whose honor the reception was given. Mrs. H. E. Young, president of the Victoria Society, and the guest of honor, Mrs. J. W. Loh. Farris, president of the University Women's Club, of Vancouver, received. The rooms of the Alexandra Club were tastefully decorated with Christmas greens, ivy and holly.  
The following musical programme was given during the evening:  
Vocal Solo—Only a Rose  
Youth—Gideon Hicks.  
Piano Solo—Cantique d'Amour. List Miss McCreary.  
Vocal Solo—If I Had a Dolly  
Mrs. De Boyce Sprague.  
Vocal Solo—Das Meer Hat Seine Perlen  
If in the Great Bazaars  
Clement Goss.  
Piano Solo—Miss Olson.  
Vocal Solo—Thou Wert Blind  
If I Had a Dolly  
Mrs. Cordelia Grylls.  
Miss Grylls sang as an encore "The Lass With the Delicate Air."  
The visitors from Vancouver included: Mrs. J. W. Loh, Farris, Miss Ross, Dr. Urquhart (chairman of the executive committee), Mrs. J. H. McGill, Miss Lavender, Miss McClugan, Miss Cumming, Miss McQueen, Miss Matheson, Miss Beharrel, Miss Dallas and Miss Van Blarcom.  
Others present were: Bishop and Mrs. Perrin, Consul and Mrs. Smith, Dr. and Mrs. Hasell, Mrs. (Dr.) Watt, Miss Cann, Miss Smith, Miss Burris, Miss Whelan, Miss Henry, Miss Annie Fraser (Seattle), Miss Macdonald (Nanaimo), Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Drury, Mrs. James Thompson, Rev. W. Leslie and Mrs. Clay, Miss Lane, Miss McKeand, Mrs. Simpson-Hayles, Mrs. Sprague, Miss Cordelia Grylls, Mrs. and Miss McCreary, Miss Amy MacSwain, Mrs. Jenkins, the Misses Hill, Miss Fraser, A. T. Goward, Gordon Hicks, Clement Goss, Miss D. Hildebrand, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Hayward, Capt. and Mrs. Clark, Miss Olmsted, Miss Ross, Miss Beharrel, Miss Dallas and a number of others.  
This afternoon a meeting will be held in the Carnegie library, at which papers will be read by Mrs. Farris, of Vancouver, and Miss Fraser, of Seattle.

**THE BEST OF ALL HANBURY'S MOTHER'S BREAD TRY IT**

**Y.M.C.A. Sunday Men's Meeting**  
4 o'clock  
PERCY D. HILLIS  
On "STOCK TAKING"  
Practical New Year message from a successful business man.  
Mr. J. G. Brown, soloist.

**WHEN \$1 A WEEK PUTS A VICTOR**  
In your home, isn't it selfish to deprive your family of this great pleasure?  
Get full information about our easy terms.  
**WAITT'S Music Store**  
1004 GOVT. ST.

**Building Lots FOR SALE Houses Built ON INSTALLMENT PLAN**  
**D. H. Bale**  
CONTRACTOR & BUILDER  
Cor. Fort St. and Stadacona Ave.

**FOR THE RECEPTION**  
Sandwiches, all kinds Small Cakes and Pastry, Short Bread, toothsome and crisp, a real treat.  
**FOR THE DINNER**  
Savory and Sweet Dishes, Jellies, Trifles, Charlotte Russe, Ice Puddings, Plum Puddings, Tea Cream to Order, Bon Bons, etc.  
**CLAY'S**  
Tel. 101. 619 Fort St.

**GET BUSY AND PLACE YOUR CONTRACT FOR YOUR NEW HOUSE**  
Before lumber advances again. It will pay you.  
Best material and best skilled labor used.  
**R. HETHERINGTON**  
Contractor and Builder.  
1153 BURDETTE AVE.  
Phone B1429.

**Ice Cream for New Year's**  
Yes, we will deliver to your order the choicest Ice Cream for Xmas.  
**FRUIT BRICKS, PUNCHES, SHERBETS.**  
Order early and make your Xmas dinner complete.  
We also carry very best whipping cream.  
**Royal Dairy**  
Phone 185 1004 BROAD ST.

**W.B. SMITH**  
FUNERAL DIRECTOR & EMBALMER  
577 YATES ST.  
Phone 575  
CHAS. B. BROWN, REBORN

# Young's Annual January Sale!

## Staple Department

Flannelettes in a heavy quality in dark and light shades for warm Kimonos and Wrappers, 27 inch Regular 45c for 30c  
 Ceylon Flannels for Men's and Boys' Shirts and Ladies' Waists, good washing colors, Regular 25c. Sale Price 20c  
**SHEETINGS, TOWELS, TOWELLINGS, TABLE LINENS, NAPKINS, TABLECLOTHS, PLAIN LINENS**—All sold at a discount of 15% during first ten days of our January Sale.

## Odd Lines

Children's School Handkerchiefs, regular 50c dozen, for 25c  
 Dent's lined Gloves, fur top, in blacks and dark browns, sizes 7 1/2, 8, 8 1/2 only. Regular \$1.25. Sale price 75c  
 Dent's fur top and lined Gloves, all sizes. Regular \$1.50. Sale price \$1.15  
 Dent's lined Gloves, regular \$1.20. Sale price \$1.15  
 Dent's Dogskin Gauntlet Gloves, regular \$2.00. Sale price \$1.50  
 Bobinet Ruffled Curtains, 1 pair only. Reg. \$6.00 for \$4.00  
 Irish Point Curtains, 3 pair only. Reg. \$6.50. Sale \$3.95  
 Irish Point Curtains, 1 pair only. Reg. \$9.00 for \$6.00  
 Irish Point Curtains, 1 pair only. Reg. \$2.50. Sale \$1.80  
 Irish Point Curtains, 2 pair only. Regular \$6.75. Sale \$4.95  
 Irish Point Curtains, 1 pair only. Regular \$7.75. Sale \$5.50  
 Irish Point Curtains, 2 pair only. Regular \$8.00. Sale \$5.00  
 Irish Point Curtains, 1 pair only. Regular \$8.50. Sale \$5.75  
 Swiss Curtains, 3 pair only. Regular \$12.00. Sale \$7.50



## Do Not Forget the Remnant Counter

Fancy Suitings in satin stripes, 44 inch Regular \$1.50 for 90c  
 Checked Venetian Cloth, in grey and green only. Regular \$1.50 for 90c  
 Tweeds for Children's Dresses and Ladies' Rainy Day Skirts in good stripes. Reg. 15c and 90c for 10c  
 New Vandyke stripes in browns and greens only. Regular \$1.50 for 90c  
 Colored Serges for suits and skirts, in browns, greens and blues. 54 in. Reg. \$1.50 for 90c  
 Heavy Tweeds for Coats and Walking Skirts, 54 in. Reg. \$1.50 and \$1.75 for \$1.00  
 All our exclusive Suit Lengths, only one of each shade and design are all marked down to January Sale Prices.

## Silks

Fancy Floral designs, regular \$1.25 yard. Polka Dot Silks, regular 65c and an assortment of plain Peau de Sole Tussahs and other Silks from 50c to \$1.00 yard, all to be put out, at, yard  
 Fancy Lustres in light shades for Waists and children's wear, 27 in. Reg. 60c for 45c  
 Fancy Challies, good patterns. Regular 40c for 25c  
 Fancy all wool French Flannels in spots and stripes, 27 in. Reg. 60c for 35c  
 Plain French Flannel, light blue only, 27 inch. Regular 50c for 35c  
 Fancy Nun's Veiling for Blouses, silk embroidered spots, Reg. 75c for 40c  
 Fancy Striped Wool Velvets for waists. Regular \$1.00 for 60c  
**JAEGER'S PURE WOOL UNDERWEAR**, for ladies and children, all to be sold one-third less than marked prices.

## Underwear

**LADIES' WHITE FLEECE LINED VESTS AND DRAWERS**, regular 40c, a garment 25c  
 Regular 60c, a garment 45c  
 Regular 75c, a garment 50c  
**WATSON'S UNSHRINKABLE WHITE**, reg. \$1.00. Sale 75c  
 Regular \$1.65. Sale \$1.30  
 Regular \$1.40. Sale \$1.00  
 Grey, regular 75c and \$1.00. Sale 50c  
**LADIES' TURNBULL COMBINATIONS**, in natural wool, regular \$2.25. Sale \$1.75  
**LADIES' SWISS COMBINATIONS**, white; regular \$3.25. Sale \$2.00  
 Regular \$2.50. Sale \$1.60  
**CHILDREN'S GERMAN MAKE NATURAL WOOL VESTS**, heavy; regular 85c to \$1.25. Marked at HALF PRICE  
**CHILDREN'S WATSON UNSHRINKABLE VESTS**, sizes 12 and 11; regular 40 and 45c, for 25c  
 Size 16; regular 50c, for 30c  
 Sizes 18 and 20; regular 55c, for 35c  
 Sizes 22 and 24; regular 60c and 65c, for 40c  
 Sizes 26 and 28; regular 75c, for 50c

## Corsets

**CHILDREN'S CORSET WAISTS**, in drab and white; odd lines clearing out at, pair 25c  
 CHILDREN'S CORSET WAISTS; regular 80c. Sale price 50c  
 Regular 60c. Sale price 40c  
**LADIES' CORSET WAISTS**; regular \$1.25. Sale price 75c  
**ODD LINES OF CROMPTON CORSETS**; regular prices from \$1.00 to \$1.25. All marked to, pair 50c  
**AMERICAN LADY CORSETS**, Mightybone; regular \$3.00 for \$1.75  
 No. 324; regular \$1.75 for \$1.00  
**LADIES' TAPE GIRDLES**; regular 50c and 75c, for, pair 35c  
 Regular \$1.25, for 75c

## Millinery

All Trimmed Hats for Ladies  
 Children's Trimmed Hats  
 Ladies' and Children's Untrimmed Hats  
 Marked Down to January Sale Prices

## Dress Goods

**BLACK FANCY STRIPED VOILE**, for evening wear, 44 inch. Regular \$1.40, for 85c  
**FANCY BLACK CHECK VENETIAN**, 47 inch. Regular \$1.50, for 85c  
**CREPELINE**, good for all purposes, 44 inch. Regular \$1.00, for 60c  
**FANCY BLACK GREENAIDIES**, 42 inch. Regular 75c, for 50c  
**VERY FINE BLACK STRIPED VOILES**, 45 inch. Regular \$2.00, for \$1.25  
**VERY FINE BLACK CHECK VOILES**, 45 inch. Regular \$2.00, for \$1.25  
**BLACK SATIN STRIPED VOILES**, 44 inch. Regular \$1.40, for 85c  
**BLACK CREPE DE CHENE**, wool and silk, 46 inch. Regular \$1.75, for \$1.00  
**FANCY INVISIBLE CHECK VOILE**, 45 inch. Regular \$2.00, for \$1.25  
**BLACK TAFFETA CLOTH**, 44 inch. Regular \$1.00, for 60c  
**ALL WOOL BLACK CASHMERE**, 44 inch. Regular 75c, for 50c  
**SILK EMBROIDERED CASHMERE**, 44 inch. Regular \$1.00, for 60c  
**BLACK VENETIAN CLOTH**, 44 inch. Regular 90c, for 55c  
**BLACK POPLIN**, 42 inch. Regular 75c, for 50c  
**FANCY STRIPED BLACK VOILE**, 42 inch. Regular \$1.00, for 60c  
**COLORED ALL WOOL SERGES**, 46 inch. Regular \$1.25, for 75c  
**HEAVY DIAGONAL NAVY SERGE**, 52 inch. Regular \$2.00, for \$1.15  
**GREEN VENETIAN SUITING**, 46 inch. Regular \$1.00, for 55c  
**FANCY LUSTRES**, in good colorings, 54 inch. Regular \$1.50, for 75c  
**FANCY TWEEDS**, in new stripes and checks, 50 inch. Regular \$1.00, \$1.25, for 80c  
**PURE WOOL HOMESPUNS**, several shades, including black, 54 inch. Regular \$1.40, for 85c  
**ALL WOOL FANCY STRIPED PANAMAS**, 54 inch. Regular \$1.00, for 60c  
**FANCY PANAMAS** in suit lengths, 54 inch. Regular \$1.75, for \$1.00  
**FINE FANCY SUITINGS**, broken checks and stripes. Regular \$10.50 suit length, for \$6.50

During first ten days of January Sale all goods in the dressgoods and Staple Department not marked at sale prices will have a discount of 15 per cent.  
 Many articles not mentioned in this advertisement will be thrown out on the Bargain Tables and will interest you.

**DO NOT FORGET THE REMNANT TABLE**  
 15 per cent. off all Dress Goods and Staples not otherwise marked at Sale Prices during first ten days of our January Sale.  
**FURS ALL REDUCED**  
**CHILDREN'S FUR SETS ALL REDUCED**  
**FANCY SIDE AND BACK COMBS ALL HALF PRICE**  
**LOOK THROUGH THE EMBROIDERIES**  
**LOOK THROUGH THE LACES**

**SALE COMMENCES 8.30 SATURDAY MORNING**

## Whitewear

**CAMBRIC CORSET COVERS**, tight back with Fillet lace trimming 30c  
**FINE CAMBRIC CORSET COVERS**, tight fitting, emby trimmed, button front, extra good value 45c  
**CORSET COVERS** with tucked back, draw string around waist, embroidery yoke with embroidery in arm holes and neck, sizes 32 to 42 50c  
**LADIES' CORSET COVERS**, same as above, but trimmed with Torchon insertion, beading and lace with ribbon 60c  
**FINE CAMBRIC CORSET COVERS**, insertion down front and ribbon to draw in around neck 65c  
**CAMBRIC CORSET COVERS**, very fine, insertion trimming back and front, lace edged and beading at neck 75c  
**GOOD QUALITY CORSET COVERS**, made of fine Cambric, trimmed, very good embroidery and beading and satin ribbon 85c  
**VERY FINE CORSET COVERS** with ribbon lacing of extra quality embroidery, tucked back, fine edging in arms and back; something new 1.00

**CORSET COVER** of checked and flowered muslin, trimmed vail beading with ribbon and vail lace, the latest fad 1.25  
**EXTRA QUALITY CORSET COVER**, with V Fillet lace trimming 30c  
 in front and tucked back 2.00  
**LADIES' DRAWERS**, good quality, with hemstitch frill; open and closed, 25 and 27 length 35c  
**CAMBRIC DRAWERS**, Fillet insertion, frills and free edging to match, open and closed, 25 and 27 length, 60c and 65c  
**CAMBRIC DRAWERS** with tucked frills and embroidery trimming 75c  
**FINE CAMBRIC DRAWERS**, extra quality, wide embroidery and frills 1.00  
**FINE CAMBRIC DRAWERS**, with extra fine shadow embroidery 1.25  
**FINE CAMBRIC DRAWERS**, with insertion of shadow and wide embroidery frills, very good value 1.75  
**LADIES' NIGHT DRESSES** of cambric, low neck, short sleeve, linen lace trimmed, length 58 and 60 inch 65c  
**CAMBRIC NIGHT DRESSES**, good value, tucked yokes, V back with hemstitched frills on neck and sleeves 85c



**LADIES' SLIPOVER NIGHTGOWNS**, trimmed with linen, lace insertion, beading and lace, extra good value 1.00  
**A NIGHTDRESS** of splendid value with tucked and insertion yoke, 3/4 sleeve, V shaple neck and embroidery trimmed 1.00  
**SLIPOVER NIGHTDRESS** with short sleeve, trimmed with fillet lace and beading, yokes with Medallions 1.25  
**WHITE CAMBRIC UNDERSKIRTS**, with tucked lawn and embroidery frills, with dust flounce, \$1.00 and 1.10  
**FINE CAMBRIC SKIRTS**, with wide embroidery tucked frill, \$1.25 and 1.35  
**FINE CAMBRIC MUSLIN SKIRTS**, with frilled lawn dust ruffles and very wide flounce of lawn and insertion, also lace to match; extra good value 1.50  
**ANOTHER** similar to above, with embroidery and tucks 1.60  
**FINE CAMBRIC SKIRTS** with dust ruffles and very wide flounce, with extra wide heavy insertion and tucked with wide heavy lace 1.85  
**FINE WHITE UNDERSKIRT**, wide tucked flounce and heavy embroidery edging 2.05  
**MISSSES' WHITE UNDERSKIRTS**, very fine cambric, with frills and insertion and embroidery to match, 30 and 32 length 1.35

**EXTRA FINE UNDERSKIRT**, with wide tucked and hemstitched lawn frill edge with blind and shadow embroidery, also dust frill 2.25  
**FINE CAMBRIC NIGHTDRESSES**, square insertion yoke, with beading and ribbon, lace trimmed sleeves with beading and frills of lace 1.35  
 With embroidery and insertion 1.40  
**CAMBRIC NIGHTGOWN**, with square yoke back and front, very fine insertion with tucks and embroidery trimmed 1.50  
**SLIPOVER NIGHTGOWN** of very fine muslin with short sleeve, trimmed, very fine embroidery and handsome allover embroidery yoke, finished with very narrow embroidery heading 1.75  
**ANOTHER** very handsome Slipover Nightdress, with 3/4 sleeve, trimmed embroidery, beading and cuff of shadow embroidery, Medallion trimmed yoke with beading and ribbon 2.25  
**UNDERSKIRTS** of white cambric muslin flounces of lawn, trimmed torchon lace, length 38, 40, 42 75c  
**WHITE CAMBRIC SKIRTS**, tucked and heavy lace trimmed 85c  
**WHITE CAMBRIC MUSLIN SKIRTS**, tucked and hemstitched frill with dust flounce 90c

## Blankets

**GOOD BLANKETS**, size 60x78 inches. January Sale Price, pair \$4.00  
 Heavier, size 60x78 inches. January Sale Price, pair \$5.00  
**ALL WOOL BLANKETS**, size 64x80 inches. January Sale Price pair \$5.50  
 7 pound, size 64x82 inches. January Sale Price, pr. \$5.75  
 8 pound, size 68x86 inches. January Sale Price, pr. \$6.60  
 7 pound, size 64x82 inches. January Sale Price, pr. \$6.00  
 8 pound, size 68x86 inches. January Sale Price, pr. \$6.75  
**EXTRA FINE ALL WOOL**, size 60x80 inches, 6 lb. January Sale Price, pr. \$6.00  
 Size 72x86 inches, 7 lb. January Sale Price, pr. \$7.00  
 Size 68x88 inches, 8 lb. January Sale Price, pr. \$8.25  
**FINEST ALL WOOL SCOTCH BLANKETS**, 72x86 inches 80 72x90 inches \$9.50  
 80x90 inches \$11.00  
**MARCELLA AND HONEYCOMB QUILTS** all at January Sale Prices.

## House Furnishings

**EIDERDOWN QUILTS**, regular \$6.50, for \$5.00  
 Regular \$7.00, for \$5.50  
 Regular \$12.00, for \$9.00  
 Regular \$15.00, for \$11.00  
 Regular \$10.00, for \$7.50  
**COMFORTER QUILTS**, regular \$5.50, for \$4.25  
 Regular \$4.25, for \$3.00  
 Regular \$3.50, for \$2.75  
 Regular \$3.25, for \$2.50  
 Regular \$3.00, for \$2.25  
 Regular \$2.75, for \$2.00

## Lace Curtains

**GOOD NOTTINGHAM LACE**, 3 yds. long. Special, pair .90c  
 3 1/2 yards long; regular \$1.50. Sale \$1.20  
 3 1/2 yards long; regular \$4.35. Sale \$3.60  
 3 1/2 yards long; regular \$4.50. Sale \$3.74  
 3 1/2 yards long; regular \$4.75. Sale \$3.85  
 3 1/2 yards long; regular \$5.00. Sale \$4.15  
 3 1/2 yards long; regular \$5.50. Sale \$4.25  
 3 1/2 yards long; regular \$6.00. Sale \$5.10

## Ready-to-Wear Department

**LADIES' CASHMERE WAISTS**, in navy, brown, ivory and black. Regular \$2.00. Sale price \$1.95  
**LADIES' SILK WAISTS**, odd lines ranging from \$4.75 to \$11.00, all marked HALF PRICE  
**LADIES' WHITE NET WAISTS**, regular \$7.25, \$7.50, \$8.75. Sale price \$5.00  
 Regular \$9.00, \$9.25, \$10.25, \$11.00. Sale price \$6.50  
 Regular \$13.00, \$15.00. Sale price \$10.00  
**LADIES' ECRU NET WAISTS**, regular \$5.50. Sale price \$3.50  
 Regular \$6.35, \$9.25. Sale price \$5.00  
 Regular \$13.75, \$14.00. Sale price \$10.00  
**LADIES' BLACK NET WAISTS**, regular \$4.75. Sale price \$3.50  
 Regular \$8.75, \$9.75. Sale price \$5.00  
 Regular \$12.00. Sale price \$8.50  
 Regular \$13.75. Sale price \$9.00  
 Regular \$16.75. Sale price \$11.00  
**LADIES' COLORED FLANNELETTE WAISTS**, regular \$1.40 and \$1.85. Sale 75c  
**CHILDREN'S KNITTED NORFOLK GOLFERS**, white, red and navy; regular \$2.25. Sale \$1.65  
**LADIES' KNITTED WAISTCOATS**, red, navy and black; regular \$1.25. Sale 85c  
**GIRLS' FLANNELETTE NIGHTDRESSES**, sizes from 4 to 14 years; regular price 80c. Sale price 50c  
**GIRLS' FLANNELETTE DRAWERS**; regular 40c pair. Sale price 25c  
**LADIES' FLOWERED FLANNELETTE KIMONOS**, regular \$2.00. Sale \$1.50  
**LADIES' EMBROIDERED LINEN WAISTS** (not made up), hand-somely embroidered on good linen; regular \$7.95. Sale \$4.50  
 Regular \$7.25. Sale \$4.50  
 Regular \$8.75. Sale \$4.50  
**LADIES' EYELET EMBROIDERED WAISTS**, also not made up; regular \$2.75, for \$2.00  
**YOUNG LADIES' WHITE NET AND POINT D'ESPIRIT DRESSES**, with silk slip and silk drop skirt; regular \$22.50. Sale \$24.00  
 Regular \$27.50. Sale \$20.00  
 Regular \$25.00. Sale \$19.00  
 Regular \$18.50. Sale \$13.00  
**FANCY COLLARS, FANCY SILK BELTS, MOTOR SCARFS**  
 ALL AT HALF PRICE  
**DRESS MUSLINS**  
 An assortment ranging from 25c to 45c yard, all marked down to 10c yard.  
**LADIES' LONG WHITE WOOLLEN GLOVES**, regular 50c, marked to, pair 25c

**SALE COMMENCES 8.30 SATURDAY MORNING**

# HENRY YOUNG & CO.

1123 Government Street,

Victoria, B. C.

# Locketts

We Have a Good Line of Locketts, in all the Different Styles

Square, oval, round and heart shaped. Some are plain and some ornate. The range in price is from 75c to \$4.50 in gold filled, and from \$3.00 to \$20.00 in solid gold.

PEARL SET LOCKETS from \$10 to .....\$15  
DIAMOND SET from \$14 to .....\$200

We know these goods will satisfy you for style, finish and price  
**YOU ARE ALWAYS WELCOME IN OUR STORE**

## Challoner & Mitchell

JEWELERS AND OPTICIANS

47 AND 49 GOVERNMENT ST., VICTORIA, B. C.

### AMUSEMENTS.

#### Victoria THEATRE

THURSDAY, DEC. 31st.

John Cort Presents

THE PRE-EMINENT ARTIST.

#### Florence Roberts

And a Company of Perfect Players in the Success of Her Career.

#### The House of Bondage

BY SEYMOUR OBERMER.

Prices, 35c, 50c, 75c, \$1.00, \$1.50.

Box office opens 10 a. m. Tuesday, Dec. 29th.

#### Victoria THEATRE

MONDAY, JAN. 1

#### LOUIS JAMES

IN A SUPERB PRODUCTION

OF

#### "PEER GYNT"

The greatest success of this brilliant actor's career.

Prices, 50c, 75c, \$1, \$1.50.

Mail orders will receive their usual attention.

#### Victoria THEATRE

WEDNESDAY, FRIDAY AND SATURDAY NIGHT AND SATURDAY MATINEE

#### The London Bioscope

A DOUBLE PROGRAMME of animated pictures and TWO ILLUSTRATED SONGS, which provides an entire evening's entertainment for 10c.

THE BIG SHOW FOR 10c

7:30-10:30

Saturday matinee for children, 5c.

#### THE NEW GRAND

WEEK 24TH DECEMBER.

#### PETCHING BROS.

Presenting Their Own Novelty Musical Act, "A Musical Flower Garden."

#### CARSON BROS.

The Apollons of Vaudeville.

Marvels of Grace and Strength.

#### CHAS. W. WILLIAMS

Ventriloquist, Comedian and Monologist.

#### LES THEODORS

European Sensational Aerialists and Equilibrists.

#### THOS. J. PRICE

SONG ILLUSTRATOR

"It's Only Me in My Nightie."

#### NEW MOVING PICTURES

"His Own Son."

#### OUR OWN ORCHESTRA

M. NAGEL, Director.

#### PANTAGES THEATRE

Week Dec. 28th.

#### MASON MORRISON CO.

"Roses and Orange Blossoms"

#### "SILENT FAIT"

Burlesque Magic

#### "MADONNA RUBE"

"Midtown Rube"

#### DURVILLE SISTERS

Shadowgraphs

#### HARRY DE VERRA

"Are You Sincere?"

#### BIOGRAFI

"Effects of a Shave"

#### The Elite Amusement Parlor Company

(OLD WATSON THEATRE),

736 FORT STREET

#### Bowling Alleys AND POOL TABLES

Picture, Illustrated Song, Post Card, Electric, Wrist Lifting, Punching, Fortune Telling and Candy Machines.

Ladies and gentlemen wishing to learn to shoot will find competent instructors at the alleys from 9 a. m. to 12 p. m.

House League Tournament now in progress.

### SOCIAL EVENTS

J. A. Penney left this morning for Vancouver.

The Foresters at Dugan held a dance last night in their hall.

Miss Tolmie will receive to-morrow at her home on Tolmie avenue.

Mrs. H. Martin, of St. Charles street, is entertaining at dinner to-night.

Mrs. Thompson, of Niagara street, will be one of to-morrow's hostesses.

Miss Adelaide Salloway, of this city, is the guest of her aunt, Mrs. Hoffman, Vancouver.

Misses Yorke and George, of Vancouver, are the guests of Mrs. Fleming, Croft street.

Mrs. Candlish, Queen's avenue, has issued invitations for a dinner party to-morrow evening.

Mr. Thos. Leach, B. A., principal of the Lord Roberts school, Vancouver, is a guest in town.

Mrs. George Simpson will be the hostess of a fancy dress ball for children in the near future.

Miss O'Reilly, of Pleasant street, has invited a number of friends to watch the old year out with her.

Mrs. George Moss and her son, Lyle, of Seattle, Wash., are the guests of Mrs. George Stelly, 1044 View street.

Mr. J. Miller, of Vancouver, who has been in Victoria for a short visit, returned to the Terminal City this morning.

Mrs. H. Clay will entertain at dinner to-morrow evening. Among the guests will be some friends from Vancouver.

Mrs. Piaget, of St. Charles street, will be one of to-morrow's many hostesses, who will entertain with a dinner party.

Mrs. Burton, St. Charles street, will be the hostess of a dinner party to-night which promises to be a very smart affair.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Fullerton, of Prince Rupert, who have been Christmas guests in town, have returned to their home in the north.

Mrs. Graham and daughter, of Winnipeg, who have been making an extended stay here, left this morning en route for the Prairie City.

Rev. Hugh McKellar, who has been spending a few weeks with Rev. D. and Mrs. McRae, Victoria West, has left for his home at Calgary.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Tasse, of the Dallas road, have rented their home for the winter months and taken up their residence at the Driard.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Riley, of Kamloops, who during the Christmas week have been the guests of friends here, left this morning en route for home.

Mrs. S. D. Veitch entertained the Women's Bible Class of the Central church very pleasantly on Tuesday evening at her home on Douglas street.

A number of supper parties have been arranged for at the Empress hotel this evening, after which the old year will be watched out and the new year welcomed in with dance and song.

Mr. J. Henick McGregor was host of a most enjoyable dinner party at the Union Club on Tuesday evening. Messrs. Cridgie, Forbes, Boulton, Prior and Worbridge were among the guests.

The marriage of Mr. Perry Finch and Miss Annie Cathcart, daughter of Mr. Henry Cathcart, of this city, was quietly solemnized at the St. Andrew's Presbyterian manse on Tuesday evening by Rev. W. Leslie Clay. The newly married couple left immediately on a trip to the Sound cities.

The marriage of Mr. Perry Finch and Miss Annie Cathcart, daughter of Mr. Henry Cathcart, of this city, was quietly solemnized at the St. Andrew's Presbyterian manse on Tuesday evening by Rev. W. Leslie Clay. The newly married couple left immediately on a trip to the Sound cities.

The marriage of Mr. Perry Finch and Miss Annie Cathcart, daughter of Mr. Henry Cathcart, of this city, was quietly solemnized at the St. Andrew's Presbyterian manse on Tuesday evening by Rev. W. Leslie Clay. The newly married couple left immediately on a trip to the Sound cities.

The marriage of Mr. Perry Finch and Miss Annie Cathcart, daughter of Mr. Henry Cathcart, of this city, was quietly solemnized at the St. Andrew's Presbyterian manse on Tuesday evening by Rev. W. Leslie Clay. The newly married couple left immediately on a trip to the Sound cities.

The marriage of Mr. Perry Finch and Miss Annie Cathcart, daughter of Mr. Henry Cathcart, of this city, was quietly solemnized at the St. Andrew's Presbyterian manse on Tuesday evening by Rev. W. Leslie Clay. The newly married couple left immediately on a trip to the Sound cities.

The marriage of Mr. Perry Finch and Miss Annie Cathcart, daughter of Mr. Henry Cathcart, of this city, was quietly solemnized at the St. Andrew's Presbyterian manse on Tuesday evening by Rev. W. Leslie Clay. The newly married couple left immediately on a trip to the Sound cities.

The marriage of Mr. Perry Finch and Miss Annie Cathcart, daughter of Mr. Henry Cathcart, of this city, was quietly solemnized at the St. Andrew's Presbyterian manse on Tuesday evening by Rev. W. Leslie Clay. The newly married couple left immediately on a trip to the Sound cities.

The marriage of Mr. Perry Finch and Miss Annie Cathcart, daughter of Mr. Henry Cathcart, of this city, was quietly solemnized at the St. Andrew's Presbyterian manse on Tuesday evening by Rev. W. Leslie Clay. The newly married couple left immediately on a trip to the Sound cities.

The marriage of Mr. Perry Finch and Miss Annie Cathcart, daughter of Mr. Henry Cathcart, of this city, was quietly solemnized at the St. Andrew's Presbyterian manse on Tuesday evening by Rev. W. Leslie Clay. The newly married couple left immediately on a trip to the Sound cities.

The marriage of Mr. Perry Finch and Miss Annie Cathcart, daughter of Mr. Henry Cathcart, of this city, was quietly solemnized at the St. Andrew's Presbyterian manse on Tuesday evening by Rev. W. Leslie Clay. The newly married couple left immediately on a trip to the Sound cities.

The marriage of Mr. Perry Finch and Miss Annie Cathcart, daughter of Mr. Henry Cathcart, of this city, was quietly solemnized at the St. Andrew's Presbyterian manse on Tuesday evening by Rev. W. Leslie Clay. The newly married couple left immediately on a trip to the Sound cities.

The marriage of Mr. Perry Finch and Miss Annie Cathcart, daughter of Mr. Henry Cathcart, of this city, was quietly solemnized at the St. Andrew's Presbyterian manse on Tuesday evening by Rev. W. Leslie Clay. The newly married couple left immediately on a trip to the Sound cities.

The marriage of Mr. Perry Finch and Miss Annie Cathcart, daughter of Mr. Henry Cathcart, of this city, was quietly solemnized at the St. Andrew's Presbyterian manse on Tuesday evening by Rev. W. Leslie Clay. The newly married couple left immediately on a trip to the Sound cities.

The marriage of Mr. Perry Finch and Miss Annie Cathcart, daughter of Mr. Henry Cathcart, of this city, was quietly solemnized at the St. Andrew's Presbyterian manse on Tuesday evening by Rev. W. Leslie Clay. The newly married couple left immediately on a trip to the Sound cities.

### FLORENCE ROBERTS APPEARS TO-NIGHT

#### Actress Popular Will Star "The House of Bondage."

Of the new plays of the year, has won more cordial approval "The House of Bondage." In Victoria theatre to-night. The House of Bondage is by Seymour Obermer, Englishman, who seems to have won, both as a dramatic literate craftsman, exceptional honors in this work. Working out plausibly with originality a theme of a nature, Mr. Obermer has been praised for his dialogue and his construction. "The House of Bondage" seems to have a foundation of logic, lucidly expanded.

Miss Roberts, in the central of the Obermer play, exhibits, as a reliable report, all of her best artistic efforts. When this is of Miss Roberts, it is the same idea, a truly great actress, she is generally in opportunities her supporting cast. With such stars as Arthur Forrest, Thelma, Ben, Ann Warington and others, a faithful presentation of "The House of Bondage" becomes an absolute treat.

At a recent meeting of the National Council of Women, held in Paris, Mme. Pichon-Landry, who is at once a public and productive. Among the things she has done, she has taken them to school, and she is usually the last to go to bed to-night.

In the country women, work in the fields besides tending to the household, and in the large proportion go out to fields and workshops. Even in the well-to-do circles, the tasks are imposed upon, the fair sex. Mme. Pichon-Landry, in the course of fifteen months, attended 408 dinners, 371 receptions, 171 lectures, 680 teas; she shook hands with some 32,000 persons, and paid 1,648 bills!

As to the woman's work being productive, Mme. Pichon-Landry triumphantly points that if a man had to make his own bed, mend his own clothes, etc., would lose a certain amount of the time which he now devotes to his work properly so called.

There are, of course, weak points in this argument, but what Mme. Pichon-Landry argues is that since a woman is paid a regular wage when she is employed as clerk, typist, teacher, doctor, and so on, without she is not paid for the work she does in the household.

To fix the point which the wife ought to be, Mme. Pichon-Landry and her female supporters go to the code, wherein it is decreed that in the event of the husband being broken up, either by the death of one of the parties, by divorce, or by separation, the property, divided. From this it is deduced that the economic value of the domestic work performed by the wife has the same value as the professional work accomplished by the husband. And, therefore, says Mme. Pichon-Landry, woman's work in the household should be rewarded by the full share of that revenue of the household.

The ball the Driard hotel to-night promises to be a grand success. The dining room has been handsomely decorated, and refreshments will be served in the ballroom. Invited guests are requested. Mr. Hemming to present their invitation cards at the entrance door.

Who will appear at Victoria Theatre to-night in "The House of Bondage."

Who will appear at Victoria Theatre to-night in "The House of Bondage."

Who will appear at Victoria Theatre to-night in "The House of Bondage."

Who will appear at Victoria Theatre to-night in "The House of Bondage."

Who will appear at Victoria Theatre to-night in "The House of Bondage."

Who will appear at Victoria Theatre to-night in "The House of Bondage."

Who will appear at Victoria Theatre to-night in "The House of Bondage."

Who will appear at Victoria Theatre to-night in "The House of Bondage."

Who will appear at Victoria Theatre to-night in "The House of Bondage."

Who will appear at Victoria Theatre to-night in "The House of Bondage."

Who will appear at Victoria Theatre to-night in "The House of Bondage."

Who will appear at Victoria Theatre to-night in "The House of Bondage."

Who will appear at Victoria Theatre to-night in "The House of Bondage."

Who will appear at Victoria Theatre to-night in "The House of Bondage."

Who will appear at Victoria Theatre to-night in "The House of Bondage."

### TIMELY RECIPES

#### Wedding Cake.—Take 10 eggs; 1 level cupful of brown sugar; 1/2 pint of milk; 1/2 cupful of soft butter; 1/2 lemon; 1 pound of figs; 1 pound of citron; 2 pounds of currants; 3 1/2 pounds of raisins; 1 heaping tablespoonful each of ground cinnamon, cloves, and allspice; 1 tablespoonful of mace; 1 nutmeg, grated; 1/2 teaspoonful of soda; and 1 quart of flour. Beat the eggs separately, putting the whites in last. Have the currants washed and dried before using, and chop the figs rather finely. Chop the raisins, and stir all the fruit in flour before adding to the cake mixture; mix the soda in the molasses, and beat all the ingredients together with ready for the pans. Square molds of graduated size are commonly used, and should be lined with buttered paper before the mixture is put into them. Bake carefully in a moderate oven for two and a half hours. This recipe makes a very large cake.

#### Prune Cream Pie.—Take one-half pound of prunes, soaked, cut fine, and stoned; stew in two cups of water fifteen minutes. Add one-half cup sugar, butter the size of a walnut, the yolk of one egg, one-half tablespoon

#### Nut Fingers.—Roll puff paste very thin; add 1 tablespoonful of powdered sugar; beat again; add four tablespoonful of powdered sugar; beat again; add four tablespoonful of chopped nuts; spread this over the paste; cover with another sheet cut into strips one inch wide and four or five inches long; dust with sugar and bake until thoroughly done.

#### Fried Cakes.—One egg, one cup soft sugar, one cup sour milk. Butter cup of an egg, one-half teaspoonful of soda, one-half teaspoonful of baking powder, cream butter and sugar, beat egg, add it to the sour milk in which the soda has been dissolved and then add it to the butter and sugar; stir flour with the baking powder in it and one-half teaspoonful of salt. Use flour enough to make a stiff batter, beat all together as if for a cake, make just stiff enough to roll out thin, not more than one inch in thickness; cut in rings, fry in hot lard.

#### Data Cakes.—One and one-half cups brown sugar, half cup butter, two eggs, one-half cup sweet milk, one and two-thirds cups flour, two teaspoons making powder, half teaspoon cinnamon, half a nutmeg, one-half pound of one cupful dates, cut fine. Put all together and beat exactly three minutes. Bake in two layers. Filling: One cup sliced dates, one-fourth cup granulated sugar, rind and juice of one lemon, two tablespoons hot water, ditto of orange juice. Roll until thick. When cool, spread between layers.

#### Potato Cones.—Prepare and season mashed potatoes that have been beaten very light. When cool enough, shape into small cones; brush over with beaten egg yolk arranged on a flat pan and brown in a quick oven.

#### THE MAGNETS.

A white sail beckons me to roam— To wander with the wandering foam About the wild ways of the world; And, ever to the wind unfurled, Over the horizon's edge it flies. And lures me on to unknown seas, Until the heartstone draws me home.

Across the world and home again, My heart is wrenched torn in twain. Betwixt the heartstone and the sail. Not long may either's thrall avail To hold the spirit doomed to go, A vagrant, ever, to and fro. Finding both peace and pleasure vain. Fall Mall Gazette.

The ball the Driard hotel to-night promises to be a grand success. The dining room has been handsomely decorated, and refreshments will be served in the ballroom. Invited guests are requested. Mr. Hemming to present their invitation cards at the entrance door.

The ball the Driard hotel to-night promises to be a grand success. The dining room has been handsomely decorated, and refreshments will be served in the ballroom. Invited guests are requested. Mr. Hemming to present their invitation cards at the entrance door.

The ball the Driard hotel to-night promises to be a grand success. The dining room has been handsomely decorated, and refreshments will be served in the ballroom. Invited guests are requested. Mr. Hemming to present their invitation cards at the entrance door.

The ball the Driard hotel to-night promises to be a grand success. The dining room has been handsomely decorated, and refreshments will be served in the ballroom. Invited guests are requested. Mr. Hemming to present their invitation cards at the entrance door.

The ball the Driard hotel to-night promises to be a grand success. The dining room has been handsomely decorated, and refreshments will be served in the ballroom. Invited guests are requested. Mr. Hemming to present their invitation cards at the entrance door.

The ball the Driard hotel to-night promises to be a grand success. The dining room has been handsomely decorated, and refreshments will be served in the ballroom. Invited guests are requested. Mr. Hemming to present their invitation cards at the entrance door.

The ball the Driard hotel to-night promises to be a grand success. The dining room has been handsomely decorated, and refreshments will be served in the ballroom. Invited guests are requested. Mr. Hemming to present their invitation cards at the entrance door.

The ball the Driard hotel to-night promises to be a grand success. The dining room has been handsomely decorated, and refreshments will be served in the ballroom. Invited guests are requested. Mr. Hemming to present their invitation cards at the entrance door.

The ball the Driard hotel to-night promises to be a grand success. The dining room has been handsomely decorated, and refreshments will be served in the ballroom. Invited guests are requested. Mr. Hemming to present their invitation cards at the entrance door.

The ball the Driard hotel to-night promises to be a grand success. The dining room has been handsomely decorated, and refreshments will be served in the ballroom. Invited guests are requested. Mr. Hemming to present their invitation cards at the entrance door.

The ball the Driard hotel to-night promises to be a grand success. The dining room has been handsomely decorated, and refreshments will be served in the ballroom. Invited guests are requested. Mr. Hemming to present their invitation cards at the entrance door.

The ball the Driard hotel to-night promises to be a grand success. The dining room has been handsomely decorated, and refreshments will be served in the ballroom. Invited guests are requested. Mr. Hemming to present their invitation cards at the entrance door.

The ball the Driard hotel to-night promises to be a grand success. The dining room has been handsomely decorated, and refreshments will be served in the ballroom. Invited guests are requested. Mr. Hemming to present their invitation cards at the entrance door.

The ball the Driard hotel to-night promises to be a grand success. The dining room has been handsomely decorated, and refreshments will be served in the ballroom. Invited guests are requested. Mr. Hemming to present their invitation cards at the entrance door.

The ball the Driard hotel to-night promises to be a grand success. The dining room has been handsomely decorated, and refreshments will be served in the ballroom. Invited guests are requested. Mr. Hemming to present their invitation cards at the entrance door.

The ball the Driard hotel to-night promises to be a grand success. The dining room has been handsomely decorated, and refreshments will be served in the ballroom. Invited guests are requested. Mr. Hemming to present their invitation cards at the entrance door.

The ball the Driard hotel to-night promises to be a grand success. The dining room has been handsomely decorated, and refreshments will be served in the ballroom. Invited guests are requested. Mr. Hemming to present their invitation cards at the entrance door.

The ball the Driard hotel to-night promises to be a grand success. The dining room has been handsomely decorated, and refreshments will be served in the ballroom. Invited guests are requested. Mr. Hemming to present their invitation cards at the entrance door.

The ball the Driard hotel to-night promises to be a grand success. The dining room has been handsomely decorated, and refreshments will be served in the ballroom. Invited guests are requested. Mr. Hemming to present their invitation cards at the entrance door.

The ball the Driard hotel to-night promises to be a grand success. The dining room has been handsomely decorated, and refreshments will be served in the ballroom. Invited guests are requested. Mr. Hemming to present their invitation cards at the entrance door.

The ball the Driard hotel to-night promises to be a grand success. The dining room has been handsomely decorated, and refreshments will be served in the ballroom. Invited guests are requested. Mr. Hemming to present their invitation cards at the entrance door.

The ball the Driard hotel to-night promises to be a grand success. The dining room has been handsomely decorated, and refreshments will be served in the ballroom. Invited guests are requested. Mr. Hemming to present their invitation cards at the entrance door.

The ball the Driard hotel to-night promises to be a grand success. The dining room has been handsomely decorated, and refreshments will be served in the ballroom. Invited guests are requested. Mr. Hemming to present their invitation cards at the entrance door.

The ball the Driard hotel to-night promises to be a grand success. The dining room has been handsomely decorated, and refreshments will be served in the ballroom. Invited guests are requested. Mr. Hemming to present their invitation cards at the entrance door.

The ball the Driard hotel to-night promises to be a grand success. The dining room has been handsomely decorated, and refreshments will be served in the ballroom. Invited guests are requested. Mr. Hemming to present their invitation cards at the entrance door.

The ball the Driard hotel to-night promises to be a grand success. The dining room has been handsomely decorated, and refreshments will be served in the ballroom. Invited guests are requested. Mr. Hemming to present their invitation cards at the entrance door.

The ball the Driard hotel to-night promises to be a grand success. The dining room has been handsomely decorated, and refreshments will be served in the ballroom. Invited guests are requested. Mr. Hemming to present their invitation cards at the entrance door.

The ball the Driard hotel to-night promises to be a grand success. The dining room has been handsomely decorated, and refreshments will be served in the ballroom. Invited guests are requested. Mr. Hemming to present their invitation cards at the entrance door.

The ball the Driard hotel to-night promises to be a grand success. The dining room has been handsomely decorated, and refreshments will be served in the ballroom. Invited guests are requested. Mr. Hemming to present their invitation cards at the entrance door.

The ball the Driard hotel to-night promises to be a grand success. The dining room has been handsomely decorated, and refreshments will be served in the ballroom. Invited guests are requested. Mr. Hemming to present their invitation cards at the entrance door.

The ball the Driard hotel to-night promises to be a grand success. The dining room has been handsomely decorated, and refreshments will be served in the ballroom. Invited guests are requested. Mr. Hemming to present their invitation cards at the entrance door.

The ball the Driard hotel to-night promises to be a grand success. The dining room has been handsomely decorated, and refreshments will be served in the ballroom. Invited guests are requested. Mr. Hemming to present their invitation cards at the entrance door.

The ball the Driard hotel to-night promises to be a grand success. The dining room has been handsomely decorated, and refreshments will be served in the ballroom. Invited guests are requested. Mr. Hemming to present their invitation cards at the entrance door.

The ball the Driard hotel to-night promises to be a grand success. The dining room has been handsomely decorated, and refreshments will be served in the ballroom. Invited guests are requested. Mr. Hemming to present their invitation cards at the entrance door.

The ball the Driard hotel to-night promises to be a grand success. The dining room has been handsomely decorated, and refreshments will be served in the ballroom. Invited guests are requested. Mr. Hemming to present their invitation cards at the entrance door.

The ball the Driard hotel to-night promises to be a grand success. The dining room has been handsomely decorated, and refreshments will be served in the ballroom. Invited guests are requested. Mr. Hemming to present their invitation cards at the entrance door.

The ball the Driard hotel to-night promises to be a grand success. The dining room has been handsomely decorated, and refreshments will be served in the ballroom. Invited guests are requested. Mr. Hemming to present their invitation cards at the entrance door.

The ball the Driard hotel to-night promises to be a grand success. The dining room has been handsomely decorated, and refreshments will be served in the ballroom. Invited guests are requested. Mr. Hemming to present their invitation cards at the entrance door.</

# Big Stocktaking Sale AT Semi-Ready Wardrobe

LASTS ONLY EVEN DAYS LONGER

Sixty Thousand Dollars' Worth of Suits, Raincoats, Overcoats and Trousers Being Slaughtered. Bargains for Everyone. Everything Reduced to Sale Price.

## See These Prices

YOUTHS' RAINCOATS, worth \$7.50, now ..... <b>\$4.95</b>	MEN'S FINE WOOL AND TWEED PANTS, worth \$4 to \$5.00, now ..... <b>\$2.85</b>	<b>SWEATERS AND JERSEYS—HALF PRICE</b>
MEN'S WINTER OVERCOATS, worth \$15.00 to \$20.00, now ..... <b>\$9.95</b>	<b>MEN'S ENGLISH KNICKERS—HALF PRICE</b>	50 DOZEN YOUTHS' UNDERWEAR, worth 75c, now ..... <b>35c</b>
MEN'S FINE OVERCOATS, worth \$10.00 to \$15.00, now ..... <b>\$6.95</b>	<b>SMOKING JACKETS AND DRESSING GOWNS—HALF PRICE</b>	HEAVY WORKING SHIRTS, worth \$1.00, now ..... <b>65c</b>
MEN'S RAINCOATS, worth \$12.00 to \$15.00, now ..... <b>\$6.95</b>	ALL WOOL SCOT UNDERWEAR, regular price \$1.00, now ..... <b>65c</b>	ENGLISH FLANNEL SHIRTS, regular \$1.25, now ..... <b>85c</b>
MEN'S EXTRA FINE RAINCOATS, worth \$15.00 to \$20.00, now ..... <b>\$11.95</b>	FLEECE LINED UNDERWEAR, now ..... <b>45c</b>	OUTING SHIRTS, regular \$1.25 to \$1.50, now ..... <b>95c</b>
MEN'S FINE BLUE AND BLACK WORSTEDS, worth \$15.00 to \$18.00, now ..... <b>\$9.95</b>	FINE NATURAL WOL UNDERWEAR, regular price \$1.25, now ..... <b>95c</b>	FINE CAMBRIC HANDKERCHIEFS, price ..... <b>5c</b>
MEN'S TWEED SUITS, worth \$12.00 to \$15.00, now ..... <b>\$5.95</b>	HEAVY WOOL SOCK, regular 35c, now ..... <b>20c</b>	COLORED COTTON HANKEDRCHIEFS, price ..... <b>5c</b>
MEN'S FINE SCOTCH AND IRISH TWEED SUITS, worth \$15.00 to \$20.00, now ..... <b>\$9.95</b>	ENGLISH MERINO SOCKS, regular 25c, now ..... <b>15c</b>	ALL 75c AND \$1.00 TIES, price ..... <b>45c</b>
300 MEN'S ENGLISH NORFOLK SUITS, worth \$14.00 to \$18.00, now ..... <b>\$8.95</b>	TAN CASHMERE SOCKS, regular 35c, now ..... <b>20c</b>	<b>50c NECKWEAR—HALF PRICE</b>
TUXEDO JACKETS AND VESTS, worth \$20.00, now ..... <b>\$12.95</b>	BLACK CASHMERE SOCKS, regular 35c, now ..... <b>20c</b>	25c TIES, now ..... <b>10c</b>
<b>SUIT CASES AND VALISES—HALF PRICE</b>	REGATTA AND OUTING SHIRTS, \$1.25 to \$2.00, now ..... <b>85c</b>	<b>300 FANCY VESTS REDUCED TO HALF PRICE</b>
MEN'S ALL WOOL PANTS, worth \$2.50, \$3.50, now ..... <b>\$1.45</b>	<b>ENGLISH KNITTED SUITS AND GOLF JACKETS—HALF PRICE</b>	GENUINE LINEN MESH UNDERWEAR, per garment ..... <b>\$2.35</b>
BOYS' RAINCOATS, worth \$5.50, now ..... <b>\$3.95</b>	HEAVY POLICE SUSPENDERS, regular 50c, now ..... <b>20c</b>	ALL LATEST SHAPES IN SOFT AND STIFF FELT HATS, regular \$3.00, now ..... <b>\$1.95</b>
MEN'S COVERT COATS, worth \$12.00 to \$15.00, now ..... <b>\$8.95</b>	PRESIDENT SUSPENDERS, regular 75c, now ..... <b>45c</b>	50 DOZEN ODD HATS, regular \$2.50 and \$3.00, now ..... <b>95c</b>
200 DOZEN ENGLISH CAPS, HALF PRICE		SELF OPENING UMBRELLAS, regular \$1.50, now ..... <b>95c</b>

SALE LASTS EVEN DAYS ONLY

# B. WILLIAMS & CO.

Sole Agents for Semi-Ready Tailoring Clothiers and Hatters. 614 Yates Street.

## TEN SEEK THE CHALLENGE CUP

MAYOR WILL START RACE AT 10:30 A. M.

Road Runners Are Now Ready for Event Tomorrow.

Ten local runners will start in the Y. M. C. A. road race when Mayor Hall fires the pistol to-morrow morning in front of the association rooms on Broad street at 10:30. The distance is six miles 332 yards, the course being from the Y. M. C. A. to Yates street, to Government street, to Belleville street, to Pendray's paint works, then at right angles till Erie street where the runners turn to the right and continue to Dallas road and on up to the park, twice round the mile track, along Douglas to Superior street, down to Government street and up that thoroughfare to Fort street, thence to Broad street and finish at the Y. M. C. A., where Mayor Hall and R. C. Horn will be waiting to decide the places of the men as they come in. The runners are:

Y. M. C. A.—C. Bayliss, Sproule, Beckwith, Dickson, Kiddle, Dinsdale and McKissock.

J. B. A.—F. Baylis, Esquimalt—Jasper.

Unattached—G. M. Dean.

The officials are: Starter, Mayor Hall; track judge, Arthur Lee; finish judges, Mayor Hall and R. C. Horn.

The prizes are: First, Mayor Hall's challenge cup; second, won twice in succession, and the Y. M. C. A. gold medal; third, silver medal, presented by Brook Vale; third, Y. M. C. A. silver medal.

The measured course is six miles 332 yards, and the distance was done last year by F. Baylis in 37:40 in bad weather.

The arrangements for the race are now completed and the entries closed. Secretary Kiddle has arranged with Arthur Lee, the track judge, for the loan of his automobile to accommodate the press and collect any who drop out on the way home. Men with flags will be stationed at each turning on the course to direct the runners, who should all be home either by foot or auto shortly after 11 o'clock.

Of the men themselves, Baylis, of the J. B. A., has the reputation as a winner of the best kind and is looked upon to finish the course first. He, however, has two strong opponents in

Dickson and Dean, either of whom should be good for second place if they are beaten by Baylis for first honors. Several of the men have been working hard and will show good form if the weather is favorable, but with wet or windy weather the winner is hard to pick. Baylis, in any weather is a strong, experienced runner, but of the others, with one exception, perhaps, bad weather will prove a big strain. Jasper can go the distance and is a fast man. He has not been seen here on the road, but from his foot work on the soccer field he should have enough for the distance and a fast finish. Dean and Dickson can also go the distance in good time, but just how good cannot be told till Friday morning.

The entries are limited to local men, those who were expected from Nanaimo and Alberni having dropped out. Watson, of Alberni, who is in the city straining a leg muscle this week, and decided not to enter.

## DUNCAN C. ROSS IS SEEKING A MATCH

Athlete is Now in City and is Willing to Meet All Comers.

Capt. Duncan C. Ross, champion mounted swordsman of the world, and who in addition is a wrestler and all-round athlete, is in Victoria. Captain Ross is now 63 years of age, but he does not look it. At that advanced age he does not pretend to break any records now, but he is still open to nearly all comers.

Accordingly he says he is ready to meet any wrestler or swordsman in the city, and would be glad to arrange with them a match. He is making his headquarters at the Dominion hotel.

Capt. Ross will probably stay here some time, as he is anxious to establish a club for training in fencing and various other lines of sport. He makes a specialty of the Jujitsu method of training. Anyone anxious to arrange a match with this athlete, who has been before the public for nearly half a century, are asked to communicate with him. In 1883, in defeating H. M. Dufur in mixed style wrestling, he won the world's championship. He still holds the title of the world's best swordsman.

## THE KING, \$50,000 REFUSED.

Melbourne, Aus., Dec. 31.—Jeffries has refused John Wren's offer of \$10,000 to return to the ring and fight against the champion at Melbourne on Cap day.

Jeffries states that he will fight no more.

## VICTORIA WEST AND NORTH WARD TO TRAVEL

Matches in Island League Second and Junior Divisions.

On New Year's day the Victoria West Association football team leaves on the E. & N. train for Nanaimo, where it will play the second division team of that city in the first of the island league games.

After playing Nanaimo on New Year's afternoon, they leave for Ladysmith the next morning, where they will play the team known as Lady Smith B., which is said to be a very strong aggregation. The boys will return home Saturday evening at 7 o'clock.

For the last two seasons the Victoria West team has won the intermediate championships of Victoria city, Vancouver Island and British Columbia, and have this year all but won the local senior league, as they have only one more game to play, and if they draw this they will win out, so it is more than probable that they will do so. During the three years in which they have been organized they have played in all 34 games, of which they have only lost two, drawn 3, making 29 wins out of 34 games, which is an enviable record.

The management of the team say that they are taking up the strongest team possible, and all of the men are in the pink of condition and anxious to get in the game from start to finish. All players are requested to meet at the E. & N. depot, Store street, at 8:45 Friday morning.

The team certainly looks a strong one. The players are: Benney; backs, White and Prevost; halves, Tait, Petticrew and Kinlock; forwards, Okell, Bailey, Sedger, Thomas and Buxton; reserve, Cowper.

President Alex. Monteith will go up with the boys as manager.

Junior Island Game.

North Ward juniors go to Nanaimo on Friday to play the Nanaimo team in the island junior division. The local lads have the reputation of being the fastest junior soccer team in British Columbia. They will take up the strongest team in the club. On Saturday week the postponed game between Ladysmith juniors and North Ward juniors will be played here.

## ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL LEAGUE MEETING LAST NIGHT.

Victoria West and James Bay soccer teams will meet on January 9th in the postponed city league game. This was decided at the league meeting

last night. That is, if won by the Wests, will do the premiership, otherwise the game will require repeating. No other business was fixed for the matches still to be played.

The question pending a team to Seattle to-morrow came up for discussion, but a lack of funds in the treasury was a check in the way and no definite action was taken in the matter.

## TIDAR, J. B. A. AREW RACE.

Two J. B. A. crews have been training strenuously this week for the race to-morrow noon. The crews are Finlayson's and Donaldson's. Finlayson's crew is headed by the premier crew of the club, and Donaldson's crew is headed by the premier crew of the club. Donaldson accepted and selected a strong crew to get down to work shoe. He says he has them in good condition to beat Finlayson. Time is timed for 2:30.

## VICTORIA RUGBY MEN PLAY NANAIMO-MORROW

Premier Holiday Attraction at Oak Bay Set for Afternoon

To-morrow at Oak Bay Victoria and Nanaimo rugby teams will meet for the first time this season. The game will start at 2:30 p. m., and will be the premier afternoon attraction for the first day of the new year.

The local team has been chosen, and will consist of W. Gen, full-back; Meredith, Gillespie, N. P., Lowry, three-quarters; Cook, Newcombe, half-backs; Arbuckle, Swenney, Hogwood, Spence, Mill, Benson, W. S. Graham, scrummers; Swaine, reserves, Johns, Vince, Pitts, Jeffs, Thompson.

After consideration of the local team manager has decided to revert to the old formation, on the ground that it is soundest and brings about the best results.

## CRICKET AUSTRALIAN UR.

The tour of the Australian cricket team in England next year will open May 6th at Nottingham. The dates of the test matches are: Tuesday, May 27th, at Birmingham; Friday, June 14th, at Lord's; Thursday, July 1st, at Leeds; Monday, July 26th, at Manchester; Monday, August 1st, at the Oval. If necessary to terminate the rubber this last will be held to a finish, though it is not intended to occur Saturday, August 14th. In all, a card of 27 contests has been fixed up. The composition of the Australian team has not yet been decided.

## DOG AND CAT SHOW SET FOR JANUARY

Several High Class Animals From New York Will Be Exhibited.

The Victoria Kennel Club will hold a parlor show in Victoria the second week in January, at which there is expected to be on exhibit several New York dogs, which are to be brought West by George Bleistein, of New York city, who will tour the coast this season with his high class animals, among them being the setters Mallowdy Sailor, Mallowdy Sarah, Meg O'Leck and Moll O'Leck, and pointers Mallowdy Glory, Coronation, Denbury Dan and Denbury Bowler.

Mallowdy Glory is the pointer which so far has not yet been beaten.

There will be a cat show held here in connection with the event, in which all the local cats of class will be seen on exhibition. Mr. Large, who judged the exhibits last year, will officiate in that capacity at the January show.

Several eastern cats will be on exhibition in an attempt to wrest the prizes from local tables. They are being brought West by Mr. Lander, of Winnipeg, who intends to show them in all the cat shows on the coast this year.

Seattle Show Planned.

The Seattle show will take place in Seattle January 19th following the Victoria show. Mr. Large, who will judge here, will be going over, and is willing to arrange with all local exhibitors at the Seattle show to take care of their exhibits for the return trip. For the Seattle show the society has imported a judge of international repute in the person of Mr. Purdy. He is an English judge, who has officiated in the old country and on the American continent.

From the information to hand at present the two shows promise to be very successful both from the class and number of the exhibits.

Protecting Dogs.

The following from the Kennel magazine will be of interest to local fanciers: "An English judge has rendered the decision that a dog has as much right to the road as a human being, and drivers of vehicles must use the same care as they would of a human being to avoid running them down. Oh, for a decision of this kind with automobiles."

Referring to the fact that breeders and fanciers are now about to leave New York for the old country to pay fabulous prices for dogs to exhibit at the coming shows the Kennel says: "Given a chance the good dogs would be produced in America if ordinary intelligence had been used and the pun-

## EDMONTON FAILS TO LIFT STANLEY CUP

Western Team Wins Second Game From Montreal Wanderers by 7 to 6.

Montreal, Que., Dec. 31.—Edmonton defeated the Wanderers in the second and final game of the Stanley cup series last night in one of the closest and most exciting games witnessed at the Arena in a couple of seasons. The challengers, however, failed to lift the cup, their victory last night being by a score of 7 to 6, while their defeat in the first game was 7 to 3, leaving the Wanderers with a margin of three goals on the total.

Edmonton, with two home players on the team that had been gathered together from all over Canada, proved a 100 per cent. better team than in the first game. Miller and Deaton, who replaced the injured Phillips and McNawara, being the stars of the forward line. Deaton scored three goals and Miller two, and both played hockey of a high order.

For all around work the Edmonton forwards were better than the Wanderers, although the Wanderers' defence was the strongest. Three Wanderer players were benched in the first five minutes of the play, and before they were back in the game, Edmonton had scored two goals. This seemed to upset the home team, and the best they could do was to score one goal before half time, leaving Edmonton in the lead, 2 to 1.

In the second half Edmonton again scored the first two goals, but the next three went to the Wanderers, evening the score, 4 to 4, and killing the western team's chances of winning out on the series.

Of the last five goals Edmonton secured three and the Wanderers two. The score was tied three times in this period, and the crowd of 4,500 were keyed up to a high pitch of excitement.

All species of shellfish draw the carbonate of lime, of which their shells are formed from the sea.

A man's heart beats 31 times a minute when he is standing, 71 times when sitting, and 86 when lying.

## BASKETBALL LAST NIGHT'S GAMES.

North Ward won in junior and intermediate basketball last night, beating Esquimalt in the intermediate by 27 to 7, and James Bay in the junior by 24 to 18.

In the junior game between Shamrock and Esquimalt, the former won 24 to 18. High school forfeited to Victoria West. The matches were of poor quality as a whole, as indicated by the margins in the scores.

## KAUFMAN WINS IN THIRTY-NINTH

Barry Puts Up Game Struggle in a Disappointing Exhibition.

Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 31.—Al Kaufman, of San Francisco, won from Jim Barry, of Chicago, last night in the 39th round before the Jeffries Athletic Club. Barry's seconds threw a towel into the ring in the middle of the 39th round after their man had been badly beaten, and was all but out. Barry's chief second stated that both his man's hands were badly injured, and that it was useless for him to continue and suffer punishment.

The Chicago man was game and wanted to continue. He was completely exhausted, and had been put almost out in the previous round. In that round Kaufman sent a hard right to the jaw and Barry went down for the count of 3. Barry's strength and been waning, and it was evident he could do no more. His face was badly swollen. Kaufman had a badly battered countenance, but his strength was undiminished. He took considerable punishment from Barry throughout the fight.

The contest from the standpoint of a scientific boxing match was one of the very poorest that has been staged here in years.

Neither man showed any championship material whatever, although Barry exhibited gameness and cleverness. There was much clinching throughout the fight, and the audience grew tired before the contest had proceeded ten rounds. Barry all but knocked Kaufman out with a blow to the jaw. He had the 'Frisco man groggy for a moment, but could not put him out. Both men did what little fighting was done almost entirely for the face. There was very little playing for the body. Near the close of the fight, when Barry was greatly weakened, he struck Kaufman low three or four times, and the referee cautioned him.

The betting was about 2 to 1 on Kaufman, but little money was placed. The men fought for 80 per cent of the gate receipts, with a guarantee of \$2,000 each.

## BASKETBALL LAST NIGHT'S GAMES.

North Ward won in junior and intermediate basketball last night, beating Esquimalt in the intermediate by 27 to 7, and James Bay in the junior by 24 to 18.

In the junior game between Shamrock and Esquimalt, the former won 24 to 18. High school forfeited to Victoria West. The matches were of poor quality as a whole, as indicated by the margins in the scores.



# Ocean and Coastwise Shipping

Movements of Local Vessels—Trade Expansion in B. C. Waters—  
Sailings of Interest From the Seven Seas.

## YEAR'S WORK OF LOCAL MARINE DEPARTMENT

### Many New Lights and Fog Alarm Stations Have Been Installed.

The total amount of work done by the marine department on this coast during the past year makes a good showing. It indicates that the government is taking care to have every useful thing done to protect the lives of mariners and the property of the shippers and shippers. Probably the most important work of the year, one at a glance that appeals most strongly to those who pass in and out of the Straits of Juan de Fuca, is the installation of a first order light and apparatus at Pachena Point. This light can be seen for something like forty miles, and is the first mark picked up by the ships entering the straits during clear weather. When the weather is thick the light on Switlowe banks is useful, but the light at Pachena is the one that all look for.

## NORTHERN TRAVEL INCREASES.

Steamer Cowichan Crowded With Passengers Returning After Holidays. The development of the northern trade has been mentioned often in these columns, and every day instances of it are being noticed. Another evidence of the steady growth of travel was furnished, when the big steamer Cowichan left Vancouver for her run to Northern British Columbia ports of call. The Cowichan, says a Vancouver paper, carried probably the largest crowd of passengers taken north by any steamer from the port in ten years, and undoubtedly one of the very largest in the whole history of the port. It is by far, in the opinion of those competent to know, the largest any boat of the United Steamship line has ever carried, exceeding easily even some marks set by the Camosia at different times. The steamer had also a good quantity of freight. Not since the various points in the north now included in the calling places of the steamers were made such, has there been such a traffic as this part Christmas season has shown. On every boat the people flocked down, and, as a result, the remarkable traffic on the Cowichan.

## TWEEDDALE BUFFETED.

Encountered Gale on Way to Portland From Nanaimo.

When sixty miles to the south of Cape Flattery, a few days ago, the British steamship Tweeddale, Captain Milne, bound for Portland from Nanaimo, was struck by the big storm which swept the coast last week. It soon developed into a gale and came from the south-southeast. For safety the captain headed the steamer offshore. The storm increased in fury until Christmas day, when it began to moderate. But an extraordinarily heavy sea was running, retarding the progress of the steamer.

Before leaving Nanaimo the steamer coaled and about sixty tons of coal of fuel was stacked on the deck. As an evidence of how little roll there is to the steamer during a big storm, the fact is cited that she never lost a pound of coal overboard. The officers declare that it was not even shifted about in the least, remaining in the precise position it was originally placed.

The United States coast and geodetic survey will establish a station in Seattle early in the spring. The station will be equipped for the issuing of bulletins.

The tug Lorne took the Lord Shattlesbury to the Fraser and is today towing the ship Ivanhoe out to sea.

## TUMBO ISLAND MINE HAS INTERESTING STORY

### William Turpel Tells of Discovering the Coal When Salvaging Ship J. Rosenfeldt.

The dispatch of the tug Shamrock in command of Captain Hare to the Tumbo Island with machinery for the development of the coal mine at that place recalls the finding of the coal outcrop some twenty years ago or more. The mine was discovered by William Turpel when that gentleman was engaged with others in trying to save the ship John Rosenfeldt at East Point.

The ship had struck on a rock and was given up as a total wreck, her cargo of coal and the ship herself being considered a perfect loss. Then a local syndicate was formed to save her, among the members of the syndicate being S. and H. Sea, Colley Smith, E. Kermode, Richard Bennett, Mr. Saunders and Wm. Turpel. They had the ship patched up and had lighted one row of coal, which they sold. All arrangements had been made for Mr. Dunsmuir's steamer Alexander to come up and give her a final pull. The tide was high and the steamer arrived on time, but a hitch occurred, such as often does in the best regulated plans.

There came on board the Alexander a number of those who were interested in the salvaging operations and their friends, and so sure were they of success that instead of hitching the steamer on the wreck, just as the tide was high, they proceeded to dine and the great event was celebrated with champagne. By the time the Hibernians were concluded the tide was running fast and had dropped about a foot. The steamer was hitched on and the pull given, but the wreck instead of coming away as she would probably have done an hour before, swung round and sank again. She was never again touched, and doubtless some of the remnants are still there.

It was while the wrecking operations were in progress that the mine was discovered. The work was done while the tide was low, and during the period of high tide the men amused themselves by fishing for red cod. Mr. Turpel and a companion were fishing off the face of the bank on Tumbo Island when looking up Mr. Turpel exclaimed, "There's a coal mine."

The other man made fun of the idea but they stopped and Mr. Turpel took off a shovelful of the coal and they burned it and it burnt well. Later Mr. Turpel's companion interested W. P. Hayward in the mine and made some money out of it; but although a good deal of prospect work was done at the mine it was never worked.

The machinery taken up on the Shamrock is being sent by William Blakemore, who has charge of the operations which are to be conducted. It includes hoisting engines, boiler, steam pump, ventilating plant and a team of horses. Robert Macdonald is in charge of the crew of miners who are going with the outfit. The mine was recently purchased from Joseph Hayward by a Vancouver syndicate.

## OBJECTS TO STERN.

New Steamer Does Not Please Everyone in the City.

As the Princess Charlotte rounded Sebi's point yesterday on her way to her moorings in James Bay a knot of waterfront men watched her critically and were passing comment on her appearance. Among the number was an official of a rival line, whose boats have the reputation of being the best of following rather than leading those of the C. P. R. The official in question surveyed her for a few minutes, and then remarked: "I don't like her stern." "Well, keep your eye on it," commented a bystander, "that's what you'll have to watch."

## TOWED TO PUGET SOUND.

Ricart de Soler Will Load at Everett and the Arranmore at Tacoma. Two tugs from Puget Sound visited this port this morning for the purpose of towing vessels which are going over to load. The Holyoke came for the Chilian ship Ricart de Soler, in charge of Captain de Angelo, which is going to load lumber at Everett. The other tug, the Pioneer, came for the Arranmore, which was lying in Esquimalt. She will load lumber at Tacoma.

## CAPTAIN TROOP MEETS OLD FRIENDS

### Two Skippers Waiting in Port Prove to Be Companions of His.

A number of interesting re-unions have followed the arrival of the steamer Princess Charlotte from the Old Country. Captain Troop at once found that at least two captains of craft now lying in port were old friends of his. Yesterday afternoon Captain Davis of the steamer Aganathus, and Captain Kinney, of the ship Senator, went aboard to the steamer and were entertained by Captain Troop. Needless to say, the three captains spent an enjoyable time together.

## TEES REACHES PORT.

First Shipment of Marble Brought From New Quarries.

Steamer Tees arrived from the West Coast this afternoon with a rather large passenger list but no freight except a few blocks of marble, the first shipment from the new quarries at Nootka, consigned to A. Stewart. Among the passengers were one or two employees of the marble works, who come down for a holiday. C. F. Batterton, a timber merchant from San Juan, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce, W. B. Garrard and wife, C. Henderson, J. Hartwell, Dr. West, the dentist, E. F. Gwynn, a timber man, and Joe Drinkwater, of Alberni.

The Tees had a bad trip up the coast with a gale when in the neighborhood of Nootka, but with a very fine homeward run.

## SHIPPING REPORT

Cape Lazo, Dec. 31, 8 a. m.—Part cloudy; calm; bar. 30.95; temp. 28; sea smooth.

Point Grey, Dec. 31, 8 a. m.—Cloudy; calm; bar. 30.04; temp. 31.

Tatoosh, Dec. 31, 8 a. m.—Cloudy; wind E. 52 miles; bar. 29.01; temp. 29.

Pachena, Dec. 31, 8 a. m.—Cloudy; light N. E. breeze; bar. 29.90; temp. 26; sea smooth; small two-masted steamer passed up at 7:30 a. m.

Tatoosh, Dec. 31, noon.—Cloudy; wind E. 50 miles; bar. 29.02; temp. 40; passed in, 2-mast steamer at 7:30 a. m. Passed out, ship Laeune, at 8:30, and steamer Sea Cock, at 9:15.

Pachena, Dec. 31, noon.—Cloudy; wind N. E.; bar. 29.92; temp. 40; sea smooth.

Estevan, Dec. 31, noon.—Clear; light easterly breeze; bar. 30.07; temp. 40; sea smooth.

Cape Lazo, Dec. 31, noon.—Clear; calm; bar. 30.12; temp. 33; sea moderate.

Point Grey, Dec. 31, noon.—Clear; calm; bar. 30.07; temp. 34. Passed in, steamer Comox, 10:40. Passed in, steamer Iroquois, at 10; Joan, at 9:30; a steamer with yellow funnel, 2 masts, white hull, clipper bow, looks like private steamer, at 10:30; steamer Camosun, at 11:10.

The Empress of Ireland was reported 150 miles off Cape Race this morning at 6 o'clock, and will arrive at St. John at 10 p. m.

Steamer Queen is due from San Francisco to-night about 8 o'clock.

British Ship Rowena is bound for the Royal Roads in ballast from Tocopilla to await orders.

## SHIPPING GUIDE.

### OCEAN STEAMSHIPS From the Orient.

Vessel. Dep. Montevideo. . . . . Jan. 5  
Kaga Maru. . . . . Jan. 7  
Tymeric. . . . . Jan. 22

### From Australia.

Aorangi. . . . . Jan. 14

### From Mexico.

Georgia. . . . . Jan. 16

### From Liverpool.

Cyclops. . . . . Jan. 23

### TO SAIL For the Orient.

Empress of China. . . . . Jan. 6

### For Australia.

Makura. . . . . Jan. 1

### For Mexico.

Lonsdale. . . . . Dec. 31

### SAILING VESSELS TO ARRIVE.

Name. Left. Date. For. Puritan. . . . . Boston. . . . . Sept. 1. Vancouver.

### COASTWISE STEAMERS TO ARRIVE From San Francisco.

Vessel. Dep. Queen. . . . . Dec. 21

### From Skagway.

Princess May. . . . . Jan. 8

### From Northern B. C. Ports.

Queen City. . . . . Jan. 9

### Venture. . . . . Jan. 10

### From West Coast.

Tees. . . . . Jan. 9

### TO SAIL For San Francisco.

Umatilla. . . . . Jan. 1

### For Skagway.

Princess May. . . . . Jan. 11

### For Northern B. C. Ports.

Queen City. . . . . Jan. 10

### Venture. . . . . Jan. 10

### For West Coast.

Tees. . . . . Jan. 1

### FERRY SERVICE Seattle and Vancouver.

S. S. Princess Victoria leaves Victoria at midnight, arriving at Vancouver at 7:30 a. m.; returning, leaves Vancouver at 1 p. m., arriving in Victoria at 8 p. m.

S. S. Princess Royal leaves Victoria for Seattle at 11:30 p. m.; returning, leaves Seattle at 1:30 a. m., arriving in Victoria at 4 p. m.

S. S. Whatcom sails daily, except Thursday, for Seattle, at 8 p. m. Arrives daily, except Thursday, from Seattle at 2:30 p. m.

## SPECIAL EXCURSION TO PRINCE RUPERT

Business Men of Victoria and Vancouver Given an Opportunity to Go North.

The McKenzie steamer Rupert City is to make a special excursion trip to Prince Rupert and back, taking the principal business people of Vancouver and Victoria who wish to view the work being done in the new terminal town. She leaves Vancouver at 9 p. m. on Monday next, Jan. 4th, and will make a fast direct trip each way. The rates have been set very low, the return costing only \$15. Wireless apparatus is carried, so that those going will be able to keep in touch with the outside all the time.

## EXPENDITURE ON ARMIES.

Cost of Military Forces to the Powers of Europe.

The military expenditure of Great Britain during recent years is stated by Mr. Haldane, in reply to a parliamentary question by Mr. Maddison, to be as follows:

1890-91	£44,107,299	1904-05	£31,559,628
1891-92	32,424,671	1905-06	25,129,474
1892-93	24,125,395	1906-07	25,295,867
1893-94	20,238,222	1907-08	27,285,728
1894-95	16,653,024	1908-09	27,109,101

It should be remembered that these figures were quoted by the war office in 1908-1909.

From 1890-1900 Germany starting with £23,248,485 (exclusive of colonial estimates), has steadily increased her expenditure, save for slight decreases from 1902 to 1904 and in 1907-08, up to the latest estimate, which is for 1908-09, £31,559,628.

France, starting with, for 1890-1899, an army expenditure of £30,747,473 and colonial military expenditure of £1,195,004, has, with various modifications, progressed to an army expenditure of £31,195,004 and colonial military expenditure of £2,172,254 for 1908-09.

Russia, beginning with £26,483,000 in 1890, finishes with estimates of £50,227,265 for 1908 and £27,343,845 for 1909.

## NEXT GREAT WAR IN THE EAST.

From the developments during the recent (Japanese-Russian) war, we may be permitted to hope for the possibility, it seems to me, of arriving at such an understanding with the European powers that Russia will be given an opportunity, in the case of a fresh attack on us in the Far East, to use all her armed forces in a fight with Japan or with Japan and China. Japan, notwithstanding the fact that the issue of the war was favorable to her, is feverishly augmenting her forces. China, under guidance of Japanese officers, is forming a large army on the Japanese model. In a very short time, Japan and China will be in a position to throw into Manchuria an army of more than a million and a half armed men. These forces, if directed against Russia, may set themselves the task of wresting from her a considerable part of Siberia, and reducing her to the rank of a second-class power. The danger that threatens Russia from the Far East has now become so obvious that all classes of the Russian population ought to prepare themselves with the full consciousness of what they are doing, to rise up as one man in defence of the integrity and greatness of their native land, in case of a new attack upon Russia on the part of Japan or China.—Gen. Kuropatkin in the January McClure's.

The Empress of Ireland was reported 150 miles off Cape Race this morning at 6 o'clock, and will arrive at St. John at 10 p. m.

Steamer Queen is due from San Francisco to-night about 8 o'clock.

British Ship Rowena is bound for the Royal Roads in ballast from Tocopilla to await orders.

## EVER USE

Maps in your real estate folders?  
Illustrations in your advertisements?  
Cover designs on your folders?  
Half tones in your booklets?  
Signature cuts of your name?

# An Engraving Dept.

Which Makes All Kinds of Cuts For All Purposes

You will find it a great time-saver, a great convenience, to consult our Engraving Department whenever you require cuts for printing or advertising purposes.

Besides exceptional mechanical facilities, our force of hand engravers is prepared to execute difficult or unusual work.

If you wish, our Art Department will furnish the designs and thus relieve you of the entire detail and thought.

Tell us your needs and this organization will deliver the finished product—correctly, promptly, satisfactorily.

Real estate agents, retail concerns, manufacturers, railroads, publications—every line of enterprise, near or far, is served by this engraving plant.

Mail orders carefully and quickly filled.

# B. C. Engraving Co., Ltd.

The Times Building

## PECULIARITIES OF CHINESE MUSIC.

Chinese music is written; like the language, in vertical rows of characters from right to left. The value of the notes or their length can not be ascertained, as rests, pauses, etc., are seldom indicated, and there is no division into bars. The Chinese use no chromatic scale, and they have nothing resembling our sharps, flats, etc.—that is, signs which in a piece of music sharpen or flatten certain notes.

The best Chinese musician can only conjecture the general form of a written piece shown to him for the first time; to be able to decipher it he must hear it played. Therefore, all the tunes are learned by tradition, and are continually modified by the individual taste of the performer, so that after a lapse of time the tunes become quite different from what they were originally, and scarcely two musicians will be found to play exactly the same notes when performing the same piece of music.

Chinese music is divided into two classes, ritual and popular. Under the name of ritual music must be comprehended all music performed at court or at religious ceremonies. Under popular music are grouped all theatrical, ballad, professional, and ordinary street song music. Among a list of selections of Chinese music on a programme I find one entitled "Ta-Pa-Fan" ("The Eight Boards"), supposed to emanate from the pen of the great Emperor Kanghi, together with the following entitled selections, "Opening the Hand," "The Maid of the Green Willow," "Mother Understands Me Well," "Alone at Home," "Dame Wang," "The Abode of Love," "The Widow's Lament," "Painting Fans," "Breaking the Looking-glass," "Mak-ing Yewen With a Bird," "The Locust's Fate," "The Seal of Longevity," "The Ladder of Happiness," "The Happy Dream," "The Crookery-mender."

While the missionary and the western educator have been busy spreading Christianity and western learning among the Chinese, some little time has also been given to the introduction of western music. It is interesting to see the drum-and-fife corps, and sometimes even small bands, established in the modern educational institutions of China. Even in the Chinese schools, where the missionary-educated Chinese are rapidly being with them, the baby organ, to which they have become attached as students.

At a recent graduation-day ceremony at Shanghai in a Chinese girls' school conducted by American women many of the invited guests were surprised at the ease and accuracy with which several young Chinese girls played foreign musical selections on the violin and piano.

According to the Japanese are being employed in large numbers as music teachers in Chinese schools, and they have had much to do with the instrument trade in all lines.—Consular Report.

Steamer Moana called at Brisbane on Sunday last.

The Umatilla will not leave for San Francisco until Saturday night, tomorrow being New Year's Day.

C. F. R. steamer Lake Manitoba landed passengers and mails at St. John, N. B., at 10:30 last night.

A new buoy is being painted and set in order to be located on the Swiftnure bank, in place of the one that was recently broken away by the force of the gale, and afterwards picked up in Barkley Sound.

Sixpence a day is the average pay of olive pickers in Italy.

# B. C. COAST SERVICE

## New Year's Holidays

Victoria-Vancouver and Seattle Route

### \$2.70 ROUND TRIP \$2.70

ETS ON SALE DEC. 28 TO JAN. 1.

FINAL RETURN LIMIT, JAN. 5, 1909.

SS. PRINCESS VICTORIA sails daily at 11:59 p. m. Arrive Vancouver 7 a. m. Sails from Vancouver 1 p. m. Arrive Victoria 6 p. m.

SS. PRINCESS ROYAL sails daily except Sunday at 11:30 p. m. Returning, sails from Seattle daily except Monday at 8:30 a. m. Arrive Victoria 2 p. m.

L. D. CHETHAM,  
City Pass. Agent, 1102 Government.

H. F. BISHOP,  
Ticket Agent, Wharf, Bellville St.

## SEASICKNESS QUICKLY CURED

"Motherall" quickly cures Sea and Train sickness. Guaranteed perfectly harmless to the most delicate. Money refunded if not satisfactory.

For sale at Drug Stores and first-class steamers, or Motherall Remedy Co., Ltd., 221 State street, Detroit.

For sale and recommended in Victoria by C. H. Boves & Co., D. E. Campbell, John Cochrane, Dean & Hiscocks.

## EMDECCES

CANADIAN PACIFIC ATLANTIC STEAMSHIPS

ST. JOHN, N. B. TO LIVERPOOL

Empress of Britain	Dec. 28
Lake Manitoba	Jan. 2
Empress of Ireland	Jan. 8
S. S. Corsican	Jan. 23
Empress of Britain	Jan. 29
Lake Champlain	Feb. 6
Empress of Ireland	Feb. 12
Empress of Britain	Feb. 18
Lake Erie	March 6

For further accommodation and all rates write or call on

L. D. CHETHAM,  
City Pass. Agent,  
1102 Government Street.

Agent All Atlantic Steamship Lines.

## Business Men's Excursion TO PRINCE RUPERT

Only \$15 Return INCLUDING MEALS AND BERTHS

### S. S. "Rupert City"

Sailing from Vancouver 9 p. m. MONDAY, JAN. 4th, 1909.

Excellent Accommodation. Wireless telegraph equipment, so merchants can keep in constant communication with business.

ROUND TRIP FIVE DAYS

For tickets and reservations apply to

### Mackenzie Bros., Ltd.

Agents  
623 FORT STREET  
Victoria.

## Union S.S. Co. of B.C., Ltd.

PASSENGER STEAMERS WEEKLY FOR

ALBERT BAY.	RIVERS INLET.
CAMPBELL RIVER.	ROCK BAY.
COMOX.	SWANSON BAY.
FENDER HARBOR.	SHOAL BAY.
FORT NEVILLE.	SECHELT.
PRINCE RUPERT.	UNION.
FORT SIMPSON.	VAN ANDA.
FORT HARVEY.	

And All Points on Northern Coast.

For Time Tables apply at OFFICE: 1105 WHARF ST.

### THE CANADIAN-MEXICAN PACIFIC S.S. LINE.

REGULAR MONTHLY SERVICE.

MAZATLAN, MANZANILLO, ACAPULCO, SALINA CRUZ, GUAYMAS and other Mexican ports as indicated on offers. Also taking cargo on through Bills of Lading to United Kingdom ports and the Continent via the Tehuantepec National Railway.

Sailing from Victoria, B. C., the last day of each month.

For freight or passage apply to the office of the company, 221 Granville street, Vancouver, or 1105 Wharf street, Victoria.

## SEATTLE ROUTE

S.S. "Whatcom" leaves Wharf street Dock, behind Postoffice, daily, except Thursday, at 8:00 p. m., calling at Port Townsend.

Returning leaves Seattle at 8:30 a. m. daily, except Thursday, arriving Victoria at 2:30 p. m.

### 25c EACH WAY 25c

## GRAND TRAIN SERVICE

Solid wide vestibule Trains of Coaches and SLEEPING CARS BETWEEN

### CHICAGO, LONDON, HAMILTON, TORONTO, MONTREAL, QUEBEC, PORTLAND, BOSTON.

And the Principal Business Centers of Ontario, Quebec and the Maritime Provinces.

Length Double-track Route with top management on the American Continent.

For Time Tables, etc., address GEO. W. VAUX, Assistant Chief Passenger and Ticket Agent, 120 Avenue St. Catharines, N.Y.

## WHITE PASS & YUKON ROUTE

TO THE KLONDIKE GOLD FIELDS

Steamers from Puget Sound and British Columbia ports connect at Skagway with the daily trains of the WHITE PASS & YUKON ROUTE for White Horse and intermediate points.

The Winter service has now been established and passenger and freight stages being tri-weekly trips between White Horse and Dawson connect with the daily trains at White Horse.

For further particulars apply to TRAFFIC DEPARTMENT, Vancouver, B. C.



### NOTICE TO THOSE INTENDING TO BUILD

We will build the above nine room bungalow, including bath and W. C., and sink in pantry, all finished complete, for \$2,500.00. Plans may be seen on application.

### TENNISON AND GREEN CONTRACTORS AND BUILDERS. MT. TOLMIE P. O.

Sale Lasts Only Two Weeks

# A MONEY SAVER

Sale Lasts Only Two Weeks

A Clean, Clear Determined Wind Up of a Most Prosperous Year's Business

## Everything Must Go!

NO CARRYING OVER STOCK IN THIS STORE. We'll hitch a bigger load to your dollar than it ever pulled before. Read over these prices carefully, select everything you can use to-day, next week or next year. The more you buy the better you'll fare. Don't hesitate, for prices will never be lower or quality higher.

MEN'S SUITS, worth \$18.00 to \$25.00. Now	\$13.95	MEN'S OVERCOATS worth \$18.00 to \$25.00. Now	\$14.95	TROUSERS worth \$4.50. Now	\$2.45
MEN'S SUITS worth \$28.00 to \$30.00. Now	\$21.90	YOUTH OVERCOATS worth \$8.00. Now	\$4.95	TROUSERS worth \$7.50. Now	\$4.95
		BOYS' OVERCOATS worth \$6.50. Now	\$3.95		

Any man who expects to continue wearing clothing or who has a few boys to keep covered cannot afford to miss this sale.

## FIT-REFORM WARDROBE

1201 Government St.

ALLEN & CO.

Victoria, B. C.

### MESSINA, CATANIA AND ETNA

By Alexander Dumas.

Modern as the buildings are and inadequate the architects, nothing can take from the situation of Messina what it possesses of grandiose and distinctive. Two things struck me among others in the town itself: first, a gigantic staircase leading from one street to another, which seemed to be like a fragment of the ancient Hæbi; secondly, the strange appearance given to all the houses by iron balconies of uniform rounded shape, filled with climbing plants that hide the bars and drape the walls in long festoons that play as the breeze floats them. Pardon me, I am forgetting a third: at the door of a guard-house I saw a corporal of gendarmes making a dress of rose-colored tulle with bouffants. I stopped a moment before him, and so amazed was I by the skill with which he used the needle that I made inquiries about the gallant soldier. I was told that in Messina the trade of dressmaking was, as a general thing, carried on by men; my hero was a pluralist, gendarme and women's tailor in one.

In Messina there is neither royal park nor public garden; so that every one goes in the evening to the quay of the Piazzata, commonly called the Marina, to breathe the sea air. The port is therefore the rendezvous of the Messinian aristocracy, who drive or ride on horseback up and down from one gate to the other, a distance of about three-quarters of a mile. Perhaps it can only cross the Mediterranean at a bound and spring from the Boulevard des Italiens to the Marina of Messina one might see some marked differences in the personages who people the two promenades; but coming from Naples the transition is too slight to be felt. The only thing that gives the Marina a special air in the presence of charming abbess, gallant, coquetish, elegantly dressed, wearing gold chains like knights, and mounted on magnificent asses from Pantellaria, with genealogies like those of racers and trappings that vied in elegance with those of the finest horses.

In proportion as I went up, the landscape, when I gazed back, with Messina to the right and Pelorum to the left, broadened before me; while to the eastward lay, like a curtain all mottled with villages, plains, forests and foothills, that long chain of the Apennines, which rises behind Nice, traverses all Italy, and sings away at Reggio. Little by little I overlooked Messina, then the Cromontor, until at last beyond the city, I beheld, like a vast sheet of silver lying in the sunshine, the Ionian sea, and beyond Pelorum, rolling out like a vast blue molre ribbon, the tideless Mediterranean. At my feet were the Straits, which I now could see from end to end, their current as visible as a river, and showing to the eye the whirlpools of Charybdis, so dreaded by the ancients, which Homer, in the Odyssey, places opposite to Scylla, though they are in point of fact at a distance of thirteen miles.

I seated myself in the shade of a glorious chestnut tree with the singular sensation of a man who finds himself at last in a land he has long desired to roam, and doubts if he is really there; he asks himself whether the cape, the villages, the mountains which he has before his eyes are truly those of which he has read so much; can it be that to them belong those poetic, sonorous, harmonious names to which in his childhood he was rocked by Greek and Latin—those two nurses of the mind, if not of the soul?

Yes, it was really I, and I was in Sicily; I was seeing the same places that Ulysses and Æneas saw, and Homer and Virgil sang. That picturesque little village over there near to a high rock and crowned by a fortress is the Scylla that so terrified Achilles. This sea, boiling at my feet, which so many centuries have not quite calmed, is the veil that hid the implacible Charybdis. It was here that Frederick the Second, grandson of Barbarossa, flung the golden cup which Cola di Rienzo, the hero of Scyllia's ballad, plunged three times vainly into the vortex to recover. And behind me I was leaning, as it were, against Etna, the fabulous and gigantic Etna, which touches heaven with her head, flings stones of fire to the stars, and makes Trinacria tremble

when the giant buried in her bosom turns on his side. Only, Etna, like Charybdis, is now very quiet, a slender vapor alone shows that the sleeping giant breathes, and gives warning in time that he is not dead.

Catania was founded, so says Thucydides, by the Chalcidians in 729, five years after Naxos; according to other authors, by the Phœnicians, at a period when the eruptions of Etna were not only rare, but still unknown, for Homer in speaking of the mountain, makes no mention of its being a volcano. It was here that the Athenians landed when they dreamed of conquering that Sicily which became their tomb. Alcibiades commanded them; his reputation for beauty, gallantry and eloquence preceded him. He arrived before Catania and asked to be allowed to enter the city alone and speak with the Catanese; if the Catanese had been men only his request might perhaps have been refused, but the women of Catania insisted on receiving him; Alcibiades was conducted to the circus, and all the city went with him. There the pupil of Socrates made one of his Ionian harangues, so gentle, so flattering, so eloquent, so terrible, so specious, so threatening. Even the guards at the gates abandoned their posts and came to listen to him. This was foreseen by Alcibiades, whose sin was not modesty, and Nicias, his lieutenant, took advantage of it to bring the Athenian fleet into the harbor, which at that time was not choked with lava, and set the city without opposition. Then came, sixty years later, Dionysius, then MamerCUS, then, 549 years after the foundation of the city, came the Romans, those great invaders, who began by pillaging; they sent their spoils to Rome, which was then poor Rome, the Rome of mud and thatch, so that she was keenly alive to such gifts. Conquered, went off and soon Rome was enriched, and then Rome began to feel generous. Marcellus determined to make the Sicilians forget the way in which Rome had treated them at first. He had a mania for building; wherever he went he built fountains, aqueducts, theatres; at Catania he built a gymnasium and probably the baths. Consequently Verres found the city so flourishing that he was obliged to give up her. They told him of a temple to Demeter that contained a beautiful statue known only to women, for men were not allowed to enter that temple. Verres, by nature ungallant, declared that women had privileges enough without that one; so he entered the temple and took the statue, which went with his other spoils. Not long after, Sextus Pompeius pillaged Catania in his turn, on pretence that it had been too lukewarm towards his father-in-law quarrels with Cæsar—in short, it was high time Augustus came when he did come.

Since the eruption of 1781, Etna has had, now and then, a little notion of upsetting Sicily; but as these whims have had no serious result, it is permissible to suppose that what she has done in that way was solely out of self-respect and to preserve her position as a volcano.

Of all these eruptions the most terrible was that of 1669. As this eruption issued from Monte-Rosso, which is only half a mile from Nicolosi, Jadin and I started to see the crater, after promising Signora Gemellaro to dine with him.

It should be distinctly understood that Etna considers herself too far above all other volcanoes to proceed as they do. Vesuvius, Stromboli, and even Hæcla pour the lava from the top of their craters, as wine overflows too full a glass. Etna does not give herself that trouble. Her crater is merely a show crater, a crater of ceremony, which contents itself by playing cup-and-ball with incandescent rocks as large as ordinary houses, which the eye can follow in their aerial ascension as it follows the flight of shells from a mortar; but during the exhibition the real eruption is going on elsewhere. When Etna is in travail there rises on her back, in one spot or another, a species of boll about the size of Montmartre; then the boll bursts, and a river of lava pours down, following the slope, burning or overthrowing everything in its way until it ends in the sea. This method of proceeding is the reason why Etna is covered with a quantity of little crater-cones that look like huge hay-cocks; each of these secondary volcanoes has its name and its own particular date, and all have made in their time more or less noise, and done more or less damage.

### WHERE HAND BEATS MACHINE

It may seem strange in this age of machinery to make the statement that in many branches of industry the human hand and eye still hold their own against the most subtle mechanical devices. Machines have been made of such a cunning character that industry has been revolutionized, but still to-day many important articles are manufactured by hand owing to the fact that the hand has a brain behind it and so is superior to a machine, says the Montreal Standard.

In file-making particularly hand work is still by far the best. Files are made by nicking a steel blank, but it is practically impossible to manufacture these bars of steel so that they are of uniform hardness. Thus it is in the case of a machine that if it is adjusted to strike a certain blow the blow will make too deep a nick on soft metal and too shallow a nick on hard metal.

In other words the machine is incapable of modifying the force of the blow in order to suit the hardness of the steel. This is why hand-workers score. The man in making the nicks with his chisel is able to feel at once where the steel is hard and where it is soft, and so it is he is able to adjust his blow to a nicety. Hand-made files are ahead of machine-made.

Another objection to machine-made files is that the nicks are made with the utmost regularity, the teeth being strictly in line. The hand-worker, however, makes them irregular, with the result that in using the file one tooth will catch the metal where the other missed it. The machine-made files make the gaps between the teeth fall in line, and so the file has not the biting power of those provided with irregular teeth.

Workers of Sheffield.

In making the best kinds of cutlery the work is still done by hand in exactly the same way as has been followed from the early days. Visit the workshops of the most progressive of Sheffield firms, and you will see that there is an absence of specialists, that is, of the division of labor, and above all there is an absence of machinery.

The forging of knives, razors, scissors and what not, is carried on to-day by hand as they have been carried on in Sheffield for hundreds of years, and it is the craftsmen above all who score.

Take, for instance, the making of a razor. The workman will get a long bar of steel, and will place one end of it in the fire of his little smithy. Having heated it, he places it on his anvil, and shows a blow after blow upon it. Unerringly, without the use of any machinery, the razor blade takes its form. A few blows and he has formed the tang; a few more and the blade is properly shaped, and, more than this, is partly hollowed.

Hammer and Anvil.

He uses no tools beyond his simple hammer and anvil, with the exception of a punch to make the holes in the tang, and a punch which stamps the maker's name. A quick blow is made, and the end of the bar is transformed into a finished blade. Take up a handful of razor blades, and you will be surprised at the uniformity which prevails in length and shape, and yet the man's eye has been his only guide, and his hammer the only implement.

Machines are in use in various parts of the world to make these blades, but no machine in existence knows exactly where to place the blows. The man improves the steel by the hammering he gives it, and he places every blow where it should be, not one being needless. The machine simply stamps out the blade, and leaves perhaps one part very hard and another party very soft, there being no uniformity.

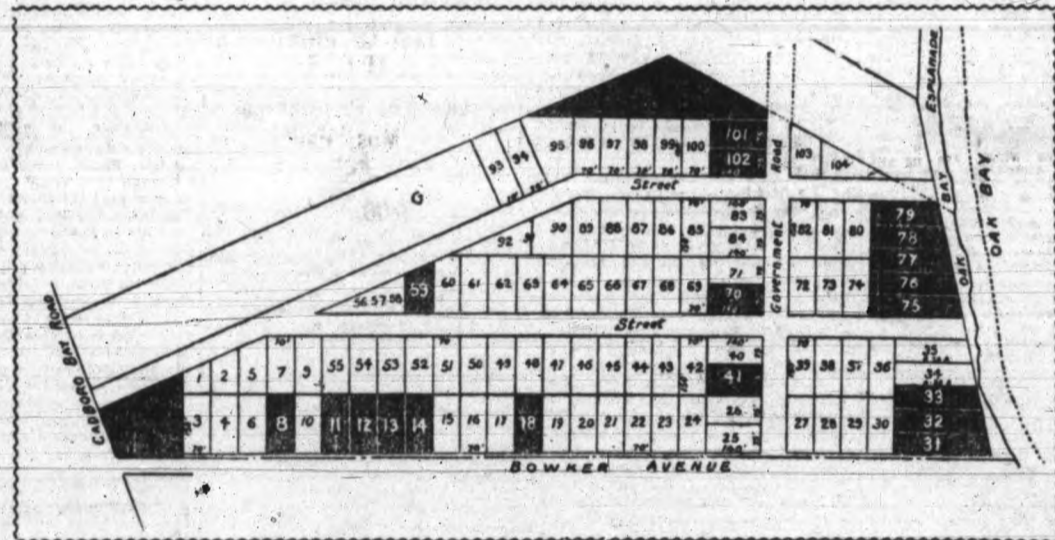
Sheffield blades hold their own through the markets of the world, simply from the skill of the men who make them by accuracy of eye and hand alone. The pre-eminence of the hand-worker is shown also in grinding cutlery articles. The best articles are invariably ground by a man who sits astride of a huge grindstone.

He sits on a special cradle, which is generally lowered as the diameter of the stone decreases by wear, a big stone of four and a half feet in diameter being worn out in eight weeks. Here again man scores from the fact that the

## ALEXANDRA PARK

If you are looking for an IDEAL SITE for a HOME, where you can be near the WATER, near the CAR, and be absolutely sure that your neighbors WILL NOT BUILD A SHACK, or the corner be occupied for a SALOON or CHINESE WASH HOUSE or any other commercial enterprise

### Buy a Lot in Alexandra Park, Oak Bay



### This Choice Subdivision Has Been Resurveyed

And we are NOW BUILDING TWO FINE RESIDENCES which are just a FORERUNNER of what will FOLLOW in the Spring. There is no better VIEW, no better BEACH, and no better SOIL to be found in Victoria District. These Lots will be sold subject to the following building restrictions only:

1. That no purchaser be allowed to assign to any Asiatic.
2. That all purchasers agree that land shall be used for residential purposes ONLY.
3. That no fence, facing a street, shall be higher than four feet.
4. That no building, for residential purposes shall be allowed to cost less than \$3,000.

FOR PRICES AND TERMS CONSULT

1230 Government St., Victoria, B. C.

## R. W. COLEMAN

1230 Government St., Victoria, B. C.

worker is able to "humor" the blade against the grindstone in a way impossible with a machine.

Elaborate machines are in use for hollow-grinding razors, but the machine-ground articles cannot compare with those ground by hand. The automatic grinding devices are unable to deal with the inequalities both in the steel and the stone. These are accounted for by the man, but this is not the case where the unthinking machine is concerned.

There are a great number of these trades in which human labor is unsurpassed. Take the case of glove-making. The cutter of the leather has to take into consideration not only the defects, but also the varying thickness and thinness of the leather. There is no general treatment, as each piece of leather has to be considered alone. This is why a mechanical cutter is impossible, as a machine could not distinguish between the good and the bad, nor see exactly where the various cuts had to be made.

The plaiting of straw, rushes, and what not are carried on in the same manner today as they have been from their earliest times. This applies to basket-making and the weaving of wickers to form the covers of jars, etc. The best straw hats are made by hand in a similar way.

#### Pottery and Glass.

Strange as it may appear, after all the years that have elapsed, pottery to a large extent is made in exactly the same way as it was in its earliest days. There has been no great improvement upon the simple potter's wheel, the moulding of the rough articles still being done by the dexterous fingers of the man. In many other branches of pottery machines are often used, but they give a far inferior article to those produced by hand alone.

In glass works, despite some wonderful machines which have been invented, it is still the case that the glassblower is king of all machinery. In the manufacture of that kind of glass known as crown glass the processes followed appear to be extremely clumsy. Here a man blows a piece of glass into the form of a bulb, which

after several processes, is transmitted into a sheet of stout glass. Cumber some as the process appears, mechanical introductions have not been able to supplant it.

Though machinery appears to hold full sway in the manufacture of paper, it is a fact that the very best kinds are invariably made by hand. Brush-making is done by hand labor, and in such trades as the building trade it is surprising what little progress has been made by machinery.

In those trades which require artistic perception, machinery is useless. Of course, a machine can merely imitate, being unable to suggest or to create; that is, no machine could ever be an artist. There are numerous trades, such as the stained-glass, to which this applies.

The wonderful nature-fertilized volcanic soil of the Island of Ceylon imparts to tea a delightful fragrance and delicious flavor. The uniformly excellent quality of "Salada" Tea bears testimony to this fact.

### FRUIT TREES

ALL KINDS OF FRUIT TREES Adapted to this climate Grown at the

### Mount Toimie Nurseries

Can be relied upon as being healthy, true to name and superior to any imported. Also Ornamental Deciduous and Evergreen trees, shrubs, etc., for sale at reasonable prices.

G. A. KNIGHT

### FOR ALDERMAN

To the Electors of Ward V. I beg to announce myself a candidate for the Aldermanic Board, and respectfully solicit your votes and influence.

A. G. SARGISON.

**ROYAL TEA**  
 KNOWN Wherever the FLAG FLIES.  
 Backed by a WORLD-WIDE REPUTATION.  
 Ask your GROCER for it.

**GILLET'S CREAM TARTAR**  
 High Grade  
 Guaranteed Chemically Pure  
 SOLD IN PACKAGES AND CANS  
 Same Price as the poor Adulterated Kinds  
 E. W. GILLET CO., LTD.  
 Toronto, Ont.

**NOTICE**  
 Notice is hereby given that an application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, at its next session, for an Act to incorporate a Company with power to build, construct, maintain and operate a line of railway of standard gauge, to be operated by steam, electricity or any other power, to be known as the Goldstream and Esquimalt Railway, commencing at the City of Victoria, in the Province of British Columbia, thence by way of Otter Point and San Juan to a point on Barkley Sound, near Serria River, with power to construct and operate telegraph and telephone lines for the purpose of the business of the public; and with power to own, use and operate water powers and other resources, and with such other powers and privileges which are usually given to railway companies, and which are found in the Model Railway Bill, as amended, 1908.  
 Dated at Victoria, B. C., this 27th day of December, 1908.  
**BARNARD & ROBERTSON,**  
 Solicitors for the Applicants.

**"LIQUOR LICENSE ACT, 1908."**  
 Notice is hereby given that I intend to apply to the Superintendent of Provincial Police at Victoria for a renewal of my license to sell intoxicating liquors at the Goldstream Hotel, situated at Goldstream, Vancouver Island.  
**JOHN IRVING,**  
 Goldstream, B. C., 16th December, 1908.

**BLUE PRINTS**  
 Of Any Length  
 Made in One Piece.  
**TIMBER MAPS**  
 Electric Blue Print & Map Co.  
 1212 LANOLEY ST., VICTORIA.

**TENDERS.**  
 Tenders addressed to the undersigned at Ottawa, and marked on the envelope, "Tender for supplies, British Columbia," will be received at the office of the Agent of the Department of Marine and Fisheries at Victoria, B. C., from whom specifications may be obtained. All supplies delivered must be approved by the Agent of the Department and the Officers of the Government steamers, otherwise they will not be accepted.  
 The Department reserves the right to accept the whole or any part of a tender.  
 Each tender must be accompanied by an accepted cheque on a chartered Canadian Bank for the sum of \$50, which amount will be forfeited if the successful tenderer declines to deliver the supplies at the tender price.  
 Papers copying this advertisement without authority from the Department will not be paid.  
 The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.  
**J. DEBBARATS,**  
 Acting Deputy Minister of Marine and Fisheries,  
 Department of Marine and Fisheries,  
 Ottawa, 9th December, 1908.

**Visitors That Are Smokers**  
**MAKE THEM**  
**HUB CIGAR STORE**  
 COB. GOVERNMENT ST. AND SPOUNCE ALLEY  
**YOUR HEADQUARTERS**  
 Only the best of local and imported cigars, cigarettes and tobacco to be had. A full line of smokers' requisites.  
**EVERYTHING UP-TO-DATE.**

**News From Four Corners of B. C.**  
 Interesting Happenings Gleaned From All Sources in the Province.

**RESOURCES OF NORTHLAND UNLIMITED**

**Visitor From Peace River Crossing on Canadian's Undeveloped Heritage.**

Vancouver, Dec. 30.—"An undeveloped heritage of vast potentialities" is the way J. K. Cornwall, of Peace River Crossing, describes the vast region lying north of Edmonton and embraced in what is commonly designated as the Mackenzie river basin. It is destined yet to be the home of millions of contented citizens. This region possesses a variety of undeveloped resources that fairly stagger the imagination. It comprises over fifty million acres of arable land, of which seven or eight million acres are situated within the province of British Columbia, east of the Rockies, enormous grazing tracts, vast inland seas, the greatest system of waterways in the world, gold and silver and copper, and mineral pitch, bitumen, oil, and other deposits of lignite and bituminous coal. Railway communication will provide the facilities for inaugurating a stampede of landseekers thitherward that will transform this wonderful country. This is the opinion of Mr. Cornwall, who may be regarded as an authority. He is spending a short holiday on the coast. Mr. Cornwall brought down news that engineering parties representing the Canadian Pacific, the Grand Trunk Pacific and the Canadian Northern railways have already made preliminary surveys with a view to unlocking the great treasure vaults of this northland. Mr. Cornwall stated that no great engineering difficulties will be encountered. The country is mostly level. He favors the building of a line from some point on the Grand Trunk Pacific, west of Edmonton, as providing the easiest and most direct route. A line of less than four hundred miles would tap a region whose agricultural and mineral resources are not surpassed by any portion of the continent. Mr. Cornwall is president of the Northern Transportation Company whose two steamers in summer form the principal means of communication with the northern interior. They run between Athabasca Landing, about 60 miles north of Edmonton, to the point where the Athabasca river enters Lesser Slave lake. Mr. Cornwall, who is a Canadian, has resided in this great land for nearly 15 years. "British Columbia's richest territory is situated in the Peace River district east of the Rockies," said Mr. Cornwall. "The day will come when it will provide the grain, flour, coal, cattle and horses for the people of the northern interior of the province, the coast cities and the Yukon. The Rockies constitute the boundary between Alberta and British Columbia as far north as the fifty-fourth meridian of latitude. Your best land lies between the foothills of the Rockies and the sixth principal meridian of longitude extending north to the sixtieth parallel which forms the northern boundaries of the two provinces. In the Peace River country there are at least 50,000,000 acres fit for cultivation. Of this seven or eight million are located in the northeast corner of British Columbia. It is equal to the best soil of the other prairie provinces. The climate is simply delightful. The summers are not excessively hot, while the winters are cool and dry without any great extremes in temperature. Vegetables and cereals thrive amazingly well. No 1 northern wheat and fall wheat are produced in perfection. Growth is favored by the temperate chinook winds which blow from the west. In latitude fifty-eight and a half, below Peace River Crossing, the Hudson's Bay Company has a \$45,000 flourmill in successful operation. In many respects the climate is superior to that prevailing farther south in the vicinity of Edmonton and Calgary. "Portions of this region abound in long grass, which provides splendid feed for horses and cattle. Three out of five winters the cattle 'rustle' for themselves, while horses are never stabled, even in the coldest weather. As a place of residence the year around I prefer it to any section west of the Great Lakes. Lack of railway transportation has kept the country back as settlers hesitate to go to a place where the limited market. All this will be changed once the railways realize that the country is a golden opportunity never excelled in the history of the Dominion. Just now there are probably not over four or five or six hundred settlers in the Peace River district and 2,000 cattle and 5,000 horses. "The waterways are the most important in the world while the lakes, rivers and streams teem with commercial fish in unlimited quantities. The Mackenzie river is navigable for steamboats drawing seven feet for a distance of 1,300 miles. The Peace river with the exception of one break is navigable for nine hundred miles. To sum up, the Mackenzie river and its tributaries, with only two breaks, are navigable for 3,600 miles. All the more southerly portion of this section will be dotted with farms and horses and cattle ranches some day, and perhaps at no distant date. "It would take a week to go into detail about the other resources of the north country, including those of British Columbia. The mineral indications are excellent, and the auriferous territory embraces thousands of square miles. Colors can be found in almost any stream heading in the Rockies. Placer mining of the most primitive sort is being successfully carried on at various points along the Peace and Smoky rivers. The country, however, has not even been scratched,

**URGE IMPROVED SYSTEM OF ROADMAKING**

**Ratepayers of Chilliwack Discuss Ways and Means.**

Chilliwack, Dec. 30.—In response to a call by the reeve, a public meeting was held in the court house for the purpose of discussing ways and means for municipal improvement. W. G. Hawshaw outlined the scheme he had in mind. From his observations he had come to the conclusion that the present system of roadmaking as adopted by the Chilliwack municipality was a failure. Money was being expended yearly for road improvement that owing to a certain road commissioner, had proven most successful. The outlay at the outset perhaps was larger, but the cost of maintenance afterwards only a small matter. A motion was carried that: "We recommend to the council the abolition of the status labor system, and recommend the hiring of a municipal team, or more if required, and a competent overseer for the work upon the roads." A committee was appointed to confer with the reeve and councilors with respect to submitting a plebiscite to the ratepayers at the municipal election.

**CHINAMAN FINED FOR ALTERING PLANS**

**Convicted on Two Charges and Must Pay \$200.**

Vancouver, Dec. 30.—Loo Goo Wing will have to pay two fines aggregating \$200 for altering the plans of his buildings on Pender Street East, without the consent of the building inspector. In the first case concerning a building near Westminster avenue, Loo Goo had alleged that he had leased it to a certain Tai Hing, who had made the alterations and fitted it up with gambling rooms without his knowledge. A diligent search failed to discover Tai Hing, and when Loo Goo Wing appeared before Magistrate Alexander yesterday in the police court, he was given a severe lecture. "I don't believe your story," he said. "You have perjured yourself and aggravated your offence. The limit the by-law allows me to impose is a fine of \$100 or two months' imprisonment, and that will be your sentence." In regard to the second charge, Building Inspector Jarrett said he had examined the building, and found that the basement had been partitioned off. It was full of intricate passages and spring doors, which led at last into a large dark room with solid walls four inches thick. Mr. Woodworth, counsel for Loo Goo Wing, cross-examined the building inspector with a view to finding whether he was acting under powers conferred by the by-law or was simply taking arbitrary action on his own part. Magistrate Alexander said that he had nothing to do with the charge before him, and on the evidence of the building inspector and two other witnesses who corroborated him as to the fixtures of the building he imposed a fine of \$100 and costs.

**DISCOVERER OF RICH MINE.**

Moyle, Dec. 30.—Peter, the Indian who discovered the St. Eugene mine, was in Moyle this week. It was fifteen years ago last spring that Peter, while hunting along Moyle lake, found some float and carried it to the St. Eugene Mission, where Father Coccola and James Cronin were stopping. Both of the latter at once knew that the sample was that of rich galena ore, and lost no time in coming back with the Indian and staking the claims which are now the St. Eugene group. Father Coccola sold his interest to Finch and Campbell, of Spokane, for \$12,000 and Peter got \$300. The priest built a splendid church and made other improvements at the mission with his money, and the Indian built a substantial house for his family. Cronin developed the property and made a mine of it, and is now one of the wealthiest residents of Spokane. Peter is now 61 years old.

**NARROW ESCAPE OF INDIANS.**

New Westminster, Dec. 30.—An Indian and his little grand-daughter had a narrow escape from drowning owing to their canoe upsetting when they were embarking at the Sixth avenue slip, the current almost carrying them away. Fortunately, their plight was noticed, and with some difficulty they were taken out of the water and taken to the police station, where, after getting their clothes dried, they were on all right.

**EYE WITNESS TELLS OF WHANNOCK TRAGEDY**

**Logger Will Be Arranged on Charge of Manslaughter.**

New Westminster, Dec. 30.—That Odin Lee was struck on the head with a bottle in the hands of Joseph Kincaid in the presence of Peter Murphy on the C. P. R. track, half a mile east of Whannock, and the blow or blows either caused his death directly or left him unconscious on the track, in which state he was run over and cut to pieces by the C. P. R. passenger train No. 307, and the jury are of opinion that no blame is to be attached to the crew of the train. This was the text of the verdict rendered by the coroner's jury empanelled at Whannock to investigate the circumstances attending the violent death which overtook Odin Lee, a young farmer of that district on Christmas eve. The sensation of the inquest was the arrest of Joseph Kincaid, a logger of the district, whom Murphy swore he saw wield the bottle which stretched Lee on the track either dead or stunned to be horribly mangled by the advancing train. Kincaid was charged with manslaughter by Chief Constable Spain and remanded for preliminary hearing before the police magistrate of Maple Ridge, on Monday next. According to a witness named McKinley, from Ruskin, where Kincaid went after the tragedy, the accused man told him that near Whannock he had been attacked by two tramps, but luckily he had a bottle with him which he used to defend himself, and with which he had knocked one of the men down. This leads to the belief that he will enter a plea of justification on the grounds of self-defence. It is quite possible that the date of the preliminary trial may be changed from Monday, that date being only set temporarily.

**INDIAN CENTENARIAN DEAD.**

**August, Who Was Born at North Vancouver, Passes Away.**

Vancouver, Dec. 30.—Old August, whose age was in the vicinity of 100, died Monday at North Vancouver. August was probably the oldest Indian in British Columbia. His wife is still alive, and is only a few months younger than her husband. The old man had long since lost detail track of his years. Curiously enough he was born just where he died, but at a time when no one dreamed of North Vancouver or even a village on the city side of the inlet. August remembered well going on hunting and fishing trips so far as he knew, there were no white people on the coast at all. He was at Nanaimo and Victoria when the first forts were established. But all through the century his headquarters had been at the native encampment across the inlet. The death on Monday is the first break in four generations. August's son Julian is a boy of 90. He lives also at North Vancouver. The grandson is also a boy of 30, and the great-grandchild is little Albert, a babe of eight, who attends the mission school of the sisters on the Keith road.

**GIRDER FALLS INTO CREEK.**

**Mishap at Vancouver Will Delay Work on New Structure.**

Vancouver, Dec. 30.—While the employees of Armstrong & Morrison were yesterday afternoon placing a heavy girder in position on the piers of the new Granville street bridge the steel proved too heavy for the equipment, and got beyond control. Finally it broke from its cables and landed in the creek, being buried in the slide bank. The hoisting equipment is mounted on a scow, and is of the pile-driver type of construction. Owing to the extraordinary weight of the steel the derrick end of the scow was dragged below the water, control of the machinery by the engine being thus lost. There was considerable excitement on the bridge and the scow at the time of the accident, but the fact that the girder was beyond control was known sufficiently long enough to enable all the workmen to get out of the way, and no person was injured. When the girder is recovered it will be possible to ascertain whether it was injured by the accident. It is stated that mishap will delay the work of laying steel on the bridge for about ten days.

**MASONIC OFFICERS INSTALLED.**

New Lodge Will Shortly Be Formed at New Westminster. New Westminster, Dec. 30.—The installation of officers of the two local lodges of Masons took place Monday afternoon. H. N. Rich, of Ladner, deputy grand master, acting as installing officer, assisted by the past masters present. A banquet was held in the Masonic hall in the evening. About 150 members and visitors were present, eighteen of whom were past masters. An announcement was made by C. H. S. Wade, P. G. R. of Alberta, regarding the formation of a new lodge in the city to work under the Canadian ritual. He asked the support of the other city lodges. Mr. Wade said that an application would shortly be sent to be grand lodge for its formation.

**STRICKEN WITH PARALYSIS.**

Port William, Ont., Dec. 30.—Rev. Josiah Dyke, an ex-minister, who is a middle-aged, active, his "stroke" was stricken with paralysis to-day.

**WORLD'S GREATEST EARTHQUAKE DISASTER**

A list of some of the world's greatest disasters by earthquake as far back as the history of seismic disturbances goes are as follows:

- Hellce and Bura, in Peloponnesus, swallowed up, B. C. 373.
- Duras, Greece, buried with all its inhabitants and twelve cities in Campania buried, B. C. 345.
- Lysimachia and its inhabitants buried, B. C. 293.
- Ephesus and other cities overturned A. D. 17.
- Eruption of Vesuvius buries Pompeii and Herculaneum, A. D. 79.
- Four cities in Asia, two in Greece and two in Galatia overturned, A. D. 105 or 106.
- Antioch destroyed, A. D. 115.
- Nicomedia, Caesarea and Nicea overturned, A. D. 136.
- In Asia, Pontus and Macedonia, 150 cities and towns damaged, A. D. 157.
- Nicomedia again demolished, and its inhabitants buried in its ruins, A. D. 358.
- An earthquake felt by nearly the whole world, A. D. 543.
- Earthquake at Constantinople, edifices destroyed and thousands perish, A. D. 557.
- Awful earthquake in Syria, Palestine and Asia; more than 500 towns destroyed and loss of life surpassed all calculations, A. D. 743.
- Constantinople overturned; all Greece shaken, A. D. 836.
- Catania, in Sicily, overturned and 15,000 persons buried in ruins, A. D. 1137.
- Earthquake in Syria, etc., kills 20,000 A. D. 1158.
- One of the cities in Calabria and all its inhabitants overwhelmed in Adriatic Sea, A. D. 1186.
- Earthquake in Calabria, 60,000 perished, A. D. 1208.
- Earthquake at Naples, greatest known there; 40,000 perished, A. D. 1456.
- Constantinople visited; thousands perished, A. D. 1509.
- At Lisbon, 1,500 houses and 30,000 people buried in ruins; several neighboring towns engulfed, A. D. 1531.
- In Japan, several cities made ruins and thousands perished; A. D. 1596.
- In Naples, 30 towns or villages in ruins; 70,000 lives lost, A. D. 1628.
- Awful earthquake at Calabria, thousands of lives lost, A. D. 1638.
- Earthquake at Schmalz, lasted three months; 30,000 lives lost, A. D. 1667.
- Port Royal, Jamaica, destroyed, houses engulfed 40 fathoms deep, 3,000 perished, A. D. 1692.
- At Sicily earthquake overturned 54 towns and 300 villages; of Catania and its 18,000 inhabitants not a trace remained; more than 100,000 lives were lost, A. D. 1693.
- Jeddo, Japan, ruined; 200,000 perished, A. D. 1703.
- At Algiers, 20,000 perished in May and June, A. D. 1716.
- In China 100,000 people perish at Pekin, A. D. 1721.
- Lima and Callao demolished, 18,000 buried in the ruins, A. D. 1746.
- At Grand Cayo, half the houses and 40,000 persons swallowed up, A. D. 1754.
- Kaschan, N. Persia, destroyed; 40,000 perished, A. D. 1755.
- Great earthquake at Lisbon. In about eight minutes most of the houses and upwards of 50,000 inhabitants perish. Cities of Coimbra, Oporto and Braga suffer dreadfully, and St. Ubes wholly overturned. In Spain a large part of Malaga in ruins. One-half of Fez in Morocco, destroyed and more than 12,000 Arabs perished. Island of Madetra affected, and 2,000 houses in the island of Mitylene, in the Archipelago, were overturned. The earthquakes extended 5,000 miles, even to Scotland, November, A. D. 1755.
- St. Lucia, West Indies, 900 perished, A. D. 1758.
- At the Azores, a village of St. Michael's sunk and lake of boiling water appears in its place, A. D. 1810.
- Awful earthquake at Caracas, 12,000 perished, A. D. 1812.
- Aleppo destroyed and 30,000 perished, A. D. 1822.
- At Martinique, nearly half Port Royal destroyed, and whole island damaged; 500 killed, A. D. 1829.
- Cape Haytien, St. Domingo, two-thirds of town destroyed; between 4,000 and 5,000 lives lost, A. D. 1842.
- Point-a-Pitre, Guadeloupe, entirely destroyed, A. D. 1843.
- At Rhodes and Macri, a mountain fell in, destroying later place, A. D. 1881.
- San Salvador destroyed, A. D. 1854.
- In Peru and Ecuador, 25,000 killed; 30,000 rendered homeless and 60,000, 800 of damage done, A. D. 1868.

**Grand Christmas Drawing.**

**J. M. NAGANO AND CO.**

I will give to every purchaser of 50 CENTS WORTH OF GOODS, at either of my stores, a ticket for the big drawing. **DOUGLAS ST.—1st, Japanese Silk Crepe Heavy Embroidered Kimono, 50; 2nd, Japanese Wild Cherry Carved Black Chair, 40; 3rd, Japanese Brass Jardiniere, 35; 4th, Fine Finished Glovecase, 25; 5th, Japanese Silk Embroidered Short Kimono, 24; 6th, Blue Silk Embroidered Water Pattern, 24; 7th, Pure Japanese Linen Parasol, 24; 8th, Blue Tea set, 24; 9th, Brass Spirit Teapot, 24; 10th, Hand-painted Silk Fire Screen, 23; and 25 smaller prizes. **GOVERNMENT ST.—1st, Silk Satin Screen with Heavy Embroidery, 25; 2nd, Silk Satin Kimono with Heavy Embroidery, 25; 3rd, Silk Satin Screen with Heavy Embroidery, 25; 4th, Brass Jardiniere, 25; 5th, Silk Craple Short Kimono, 24; 6th, Brass Flower Vase, 24; 7th, Silk Table Cover, 24; 8th, Silk Vases, 25; and 21 smaller prizes.****

**TOMBOLA TICKETS DRAWN**

At Yokohama Bazaar, 1423 Govt. street, in the morning of 26th, December by Mrs. A. W. Woods, Duncan, in the presence of Mr. A. W. Woods, who happened to be in the store. Numbers as follows:

1st	232	10th	1499	19th	2192
2nd	548	11th	1611	20th	3556
3rd	103	12th	3942	21st	4262
4th	2925	13th	2357	22nd	1856
5th	3166	14th	130	23rd	4137
6th	366	15th	2458	24th	3278
7th	3355	16th	5198	25th	3397
8th	124	17th	543	26th	3084
9th	605	18th	652	27th	5094

**Carving Sets, I. X. L.**

From \$1.50 to \$15.00 Per Set  
**TABLE CUTLERY, ALL STYLES AND PRICES**  
**POCKET KNIVES, BOKER'S AND I. X. L.**  
**SAFETY RAZORS, FROM \$1 TO \$5**  
**SHAVING SETS, AT ASSORTED PRICES**  
**SCISSORS, ALL KIND AND PRICES**

**E. G. Prior & Co., Ltd. Pty.**

CORNER GOVERNMENT AND JOHNSON STS.  
 Victoria, B. C.

**The Taylor Mill Co**

LIMITED LIABILITY.  
 Dealers in Lumber, Sash, Doors and all kinds of Building Material.  
 Mill Office and Yards, North Government Street, Victoria, B. C.  
 P. O. Box 628. Telephone 564

**SUBSCRIBE FOR THE TIMES**

**New Year's Poultry**  
 AT A GREAT SAVING

- Fancy Selected Turkeys, per lb. . . . . 21c
- Fancy Selected Turkeys, head and feet off, per lb. . . . . 23c
- Fancy Selected Geese with heads off, per lb. . . . . 18c
- Domestic Ducks, per lb. . . . . 19c

**The Douglas Market**  
 1423 DOUGLAS ST. PHONE 1701.

**LAVITZ NURSERY**  
 Victoria, B. C.  
 Headquarters for Choice Nursery Stock

Practically all the fruit for which first-class prizes were awarded at the recent Victoria Exhibition was grown on trees obtained from this Nursery. We have now the finest and best assorted stock of all kinds of Fruit Trees and Ornamental Stock in this province. Visit nursery at Carey Road, or write for Catalogue and price list.

**Grand Christmas Drawing.**

**J. M. NAGANO AND CO.**

I will give to every purchaser of 50 CENTS WORTH OF GOODS, at either of my stores, a ticket for the big drawing. **DOUGLAS ST.—1st, Japanese Silk Crepe Heavy Embroidered Kimono, 50; 2nd, Japanese Wild Cherry Carved Black Chair, 40; 3rd, Japanese Brass Jardiniere, 35; 4th, Fine Finished Glovecase, 25; 5th, Japanese Silk Embroidered Short Kimono, 24; 6th, Blue Silk Embroidered Water Pattern, 24; 7th, Pure Japanese Linen Parasol, 24; 8th, Blue Tea set, 24; 9th, Brass Spirit Teapot, 24; 10th, Hand-painted Silk Fire Screen, 23; and 25 smaller prizes. **GOVERNMENT ST.—1st, Silk Satin Screen with Heavy Embroidery, 25; 2nd, Silk Satin Kimono with Heavy Embroidery, 25; 3rd, Silk Satin Screen with Heavy Embroidery, 25; 4th, Brass Jardiniere, 25; 5th, Silk Craple Short Kimono, 24; 6th, Brass Flower Vase, 24; 7th, Silk Table Cover, 24; 8th, Silk Vases, 25; and 21 smaller prizes.****

**Empress Drug Hall**

**Call and Inspect Our Christmas Goods**

And have one put away for your father, mother, sister, brother, sweetheart, or mother-in-law.  
**GEO. A. FRASER** 912, 914 GOVT. ST.

**Carving Sets, I. X. L.**

From \$1.50 to \$15.00 Per Set  
**TABLE CUTLERY, ALL STYLES AND PRICES**  
**POCKET KNIVES, BOKER'S AND I. X. L.**  
**SAFETY RAZORS, FROM \$1 TO \$5**  
**SHAVING SETS, AT ASSORTED PRICES**  
**SCISSORS, ALL KIND AND PRICES**

**E. G. Prior & Co., Ltd. Pty.**

CORNER GOVERNMENT AND JOHNSON STS.  
 Victoria, B. C.

**The Taylor Mill Co**

LIMITED LIABILITY.  
 Dealers in Lumber, Sash, Doors and all kinds of Building Material.  
 Mill Office and Yards, North Government Street, Victoria, B. C.  
 P. O. Box 628. Telephone 564

**SUBSCRIBE FOR THE TIMES**



PESTILENCE MAY FOLLOW DEPOPULATION AND RUIN

The ships in the harbor. Every available steamer in the port has been fitted up as a temporary hospital. People wept from the King and Queen of Italy came ashore. The women threw kisses to Her Majesty. Both were practically carried up the pier in the arms of their subjects. The presence of the King has acted as an inspiration to the people.

Several Calabrians here, who have relatives and friends in the stricken district, have gone out of their minds because it is impossible for them either to go to their homes or get news of their beloved ones. The steamer Therapia is lying off Naples crowded with refugees from Messina, bereaved men, starving women and weeping children. All with the stamp of great fear still upon their faces.

On the Review Table

A Popular Holiday Number. Among the Christmas numbers that have come to hand, the Canadian Pictorial (fifteen cents; published by the Pictorial Publishing Co., 142 St. Peter St., Montreal), deserves special mention. Its unique and very charming cover appeals at once to everyone, and its contents, from the bright Christmas stories and wealth of Christmas pictures to the sweet old English words and music complete, are full of Christmas spirit. Yet even the Christmas number, true to the motto "News by Views" of the Canadian Pictorial, shows some splendid pictures dealing with the stirring events of the month the world over. The Canadian Pictorial has won for itself an enviable place among Canadian publications, for its exquisite photographs and fine workmanship throughout stands unexcelled and is wonderful value for the money. (One dollar a year, including all special numbers.) The new feature "Unknown Old Favorites," is meeting with hearty appreciation. This gives words and music complete each month of one or more of the old favorites that most people think they know and know they love, yet that only a few can find. A rollicking and sprightly old English ballad will appear in the January issue. Short stories have recently been added, the numerous departments are well sustained, and further improvements are contemplated for the coming year 1909.

done after the glacial age had withdrawn from North America. The fact that thousands of millions of years ago the earth was a swirling, seething mass of misty vapor, gradually, through millions of years, cooling and solidifying, is impressive enough, no doubt; but it is somewhat difficult to grasp an enthusiasm for such overpowering figures. A more interesting point is how many years of life the earth is likely to enjoy—unless, as the writer points out, calamity, swift and unseen, descend upon our globe. Here is the tale geology has to tell. The earth's morning, or rather the hour before dawn, began a thousand million years ago. Figures have no terrors for writers on astronomical or geological subjects—in fierce, fervent heat, amid tossing seas and swaying continents, every hill a volcano, every valley a cauldron of fire. But in two hundred million years hence the earth's heat will be all gone. The volcanoes will be extinct and earthquakes a memory only of more fortunate days. In a thousand million years, death's defacing fingers will have brought every hill and valley, every mountain and plain, beneath a world-wide shoreless sea. It sounds a gloomy enough picture, that world-wide shoreless sea; but one regards it with comparative equanimity, a thousand million years hence. At present, the writer points out, and looked at in this light, the earth is neither young nor old; "but in the full vigor of a quiet, strong manhood, it stands midway between two extremes—the absence of all life through fervent heat and the death of all life through the dying down of the central fires."

WHERE SAVAGES BEAT US The rude, uncultured savage did not sit most of the day in a padded office chair, a carriage or car. His food was not prepared by a chef. He had to hunt for something to eat. And dinner, when he got it, was none too rich. But the rude, uncultured savage did not suffer from indigestion, constipation, biliousness, headaches, as we civilized beings do. Exercise and the amount of fruit and fresh vegetables in his diet, kept liver, bowels and kidneys working right. None of us want to go back to the days of yewjaws and tombacks; but a lot of us certainly would like to have the digestion of the savages. We can, by taking "Fruit-a-tives." "Fruit-a-tives" get directly on the stomach, liver, kidneys and skin, and keep these organs in perfect condition. "Fruit-a-tives" bring back lost appetite and sound digestion to the Dyspeptic—regulate the bowels of those who suffer from Constipation—and build up the whole system. Trial size 25c. Regular size 50c., or 6 for \$2.50.

RAZORS GROUND and honed to perfection. Wilson, Locksmith, 102 Broad. TO LET—Four roomed cottage. Mrs. M. R. Smith, 24 Dallas road. WAITES BROS., practical mechanical repairers, expert locksmiths. 64 Fort Street, sign of "Big Key." BEGIN THE NEW YEAR WELL—Get all your meals at the City Restaurant, cor. Yates and Government streets. Absolutely the best 25 cent meals in Victoria. N.B.—Roast geese, New Year's Day, 31 to 1. 25 to 2500. UNDER NEW MANAGEMENT—Toronto Restaurant, 112 Store Street, next Queen's Hotel, Beat 15c. meal in the day. Open day and night. Try us and we will give you satisfaction. Twenty-one meal tickets for \$2. WANTED—Experienced clerk for general store. Write full particulars to A. E. Waterhouse, New Alberni. WANTED—Nurse, or girl for general house work. Mrs. Foster, 511 Mary St. Telephone 81114. ENTERTAINMENTS TO-MORROW. Visitors Will Be Welcomed to the Y. M. C. A. Rooms. At 3 o'clock on New Year's day the members of the Y. M. C. A. will give exhibitions in horse vaulting, parallel and horizontal bar work and tumbling. Ronald Heater will give an exhibition in weight lifting. A wrestling match will take place between O. Margison and Cohen. During the afternoon the Ladies' Auxiliary will serve refreshments. R. B. McKicking, the president of the reception committee, will be on hand to welcome all visitors. At 8:30 o'clock in the evening a good literary programme will be rendered. Capt. D. McIntosh, the chairman of the committee, will preside. Following is the programme: Solo, "The Children's Home," Miss Nylands; recitation, Mrs. W. A. Gleason; solo, "Storm Flood," H. Shandley; solo, "The Story of the Year," Miss Bernice Scowcroft; piano duet, Mrs. Brace and A. Dobson; solo, "My Ain Folk," Miss Cocker. IMPORTATION OF GAME BIRDS. Chilliwack, Dec. 30.—The response to the call for subscriptions to the fund for the importation of game birds is very gratifying to the members of the Chilliwack Game Protection Association, and the money already subscribed will go quite a way towards the object the association has in view, that of importing a fresh supply of partridges from the New England states. The pheasants from England, which have lately arrived here under the care of Deputy Game Warden Cummins, and are expected to very materially help in improving the stock of Chinese pheasants now here, being much bigger and stronger. The partridges already imported and liberated here, although suffering from the onslaught of the pot hunter, have made a very satisfactory increase in number. At the Men's meeting in the Y. M. C. A. rooms on Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock, P. D. Hills will give an address on "Stocktaking." The regular monthly dance of the Invitation Club has been postponed till January 5th, 1909, when a Fancy Dress ball will be held. On this occasion the closing hour will be 11 a.m., instead of 12 p.m., as usual. Arrangements for treatments are in the hands of committees and full particulars can be had from either Miss Bone or Miss Ethel Grant.

ROCKLAND PARK LOTS 50 X 130 FEET GOOD LAND NO ROCK NEAR EDMONTON ROAD \$350 EACH \$25 CASH BAL. \$10 A MONTH Northwest Real Estate 706 YATES STREET

BAIN'S AUCTION ROOM The Raffle FOR THE Grand Father's Clock IS POSTPONED UNTIL JAN. 31st, 1909. MUNICIPALITY OF THE DISTRICT OF OAK BAY. VOTERS' LIST COURT OF REVISION.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS. Sealed tenders are invited for the clearing of approximately one hundred acres of the townsite of Alberni, Vancouver Island. Specifications can be seen at the office of the Alberni Land Company, Ltd., Alberni, B. C.; the Land Office, E. & N. Railway Company, Victoria, B. C.; the Land Office, E. & N. Ry., care of C. F. R. Offices, Vancouver, B. C. Tenders must be in on or before the 15th of January, 1909, and are to be addressed to the Alberni Land Company, Ltd., New Alberni, B. C. The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

Primary School Make your little ones happy! Send them to St. Ann's school on Hancock Street. The most thoroughly equipped little school, making a specialty of Primary and Kindergarten work in the city. Study and physical culture included in the regular price. Children constantly under supervision. Good manners emphasized. All grades up to the third reader. The course of study followed is that which is used in the public schools of the province. School opens August 2, 1909, conducted by the Sisters of St. Ann's. Apply at the Kindergarten school, Blenheim St., between 7 a. m. and 12 p. m. Phone 1300 Principal.

WINNING NUMBER 160 WON BY TIM KEE E. Payne, 704 Vancouver St., did the drawing. T. Oliver, Royal Arm Hotel, witness. TIM KEE

THE Big Shoe Sale IS STILL ON AND WE ARE OFFERING GREATER INDUCEMENTS THAN EVER IT WILL PAY YOU TO BUY NOW FOR FUTURE NEEDS On Saturday, Jan. 2nd. WE WILL PLACE ON SALE SPECIAL ATTRACTIONS MEN'S WALK-OVER SHOES. Regular \$6.00 for \$4.75 MEN'S BOX CALF, Blucher cut. Regular \$3.50 for \$2.50 BOYS' BOX CALF BLUCHER BOOTS, Regular \$3.00 for \$2.25 BOYS' STRONG SCHOOL BOOTS. Regular \$2.25 for \$1.50 LADIES' FINE KID HEAVY SOLED BOOTS, Hagan, Sorsnis, Slaters, etc. Regular \$4.50 and \$4.00, for \$3.00 LADIES' FINE KID BOOTS, all reliable, new goods. Regular \$3.50 and \$3.00, for \$2.25 LADIES' FINE KID ONE-STRAP SLIPPERS. Saturday only. Regular \$1.50 for \$1.00 IDEAL SHOE STORE Government St., Opp. Spencer's

PROPOSED CERTIFICATES IN GOLD DEALINGS

Monetary Times Deals With the Recommendations Made to Congress.

The heavy gold shipments from the United States have been troubling Secretary of the Treasury Cortelyou. In his annual report he recommends to Congress the use of international gold certificates as a means of assuring the movement of gold from one country to another. The past year, the gold shipments from New York to Europe have been of some magnitude. Canada does not figure largely in this matter, although gold to the amount of several millions is usually shipped to our chartered banks prior to the fall to help with the crop movement, says the Monetary Times, which thus refers to the proposal. The secretary suggests that the use of the proposed certificates might be the outcome of an international convention, which would consider the matter. Bankers at home and abroad have been interested in these proposals. Theoretically, they think, in some respects the plan is excellent. Practically, they emphatically assert it has little chance of application. It will be of interest to glance at the chief clauses of Secretary Cortelyou's report in this relation: "The advantage of reducing to a minimum the transfer of gold between the financial centres of the world has been often discussed, but has not yet been the subject of official action. Economy in such transfers has come about automatically from time to time by the extension of the system of bills of exchange and of the use of international credits. Distrust of these resources in times of crisis—the very moment at which they are most needed—invokes the demand for physical gold. Even under ordinary conditions, the interval between the outward crop movement from this country and the payment for foreign merchandise imported in the spring is often covered by shipment of gold in both directions, which the mechanism of international exchange has not yet found the means of entirely avoiding. "That credits or loans of gold might be extended more generously than at present by one nation to another in times of stress was proposed soon after the crisis of a year ago. It has been suggested that an international conference be called of representatives of the principal banks with a view to more prompt and effective co-operation in emergencies. It is not proposed here to enter upon a general discussion of this subject, but if such a conference should be held, there might well be included in the list of topics to be considered the creation of an international gold certificate, which might represent all practical purposes the transfer of gold coin or bullion without the necessity of transferring the metal itself. "Such an arrangement would require international sanction, either by agreement among the leading banks of the world to issue a transferable international certificate upon a certain amount of gold coin, definitely set aside for the purpose, or an agreement through diplomatic channels among the several governments to some similar arrangement under official control. In the present advanced state of public faith and of financial responsibility there is apparently no serious obstacle to reaching such an agreement, if measures are once set on foot by those capable of carrying it out. The issue of such international certificates, payable on demand, like the gold certificates of the United States, would not prevent the transfer of the physical gold when desired. The certificates might be redeemable in all countries which were parties to the agreement, without regard to the country in which they were issued, and it might be left to those in charge of the gold funds to determine from time to time whether the physical transfer of gold were required. Actual transfer might be advisable where there was reason to believe that the movement was more or less permanent in character, but it would seem that such transfers might be reduced to the minimum where it seemed probable that the metal would be recalled by the normal movement of trade within the space of a few months. It is suggested that the secretary of the treasury might be authorized to receive hospitably any suggestion from abroad and to appoint, through the proper channels, delegates on behalf of the United States to any conference which might be assembled having the subject within the scope of its deliberations. The financial press of New York appear to agree as to the utility of the proposed arrangements; its actual operation apparently would prove unsuccessful. First, differences in the international gold certificate. This is said to be as futile as an attempt to settle the daily differences at the clearing houses by cheque instead of by the payment of currency. In the New York clearing house gold certificates are used in settlement of the daily balances. The success of an extension of such a practice to international exchange operations is open to question. Clearing house certificates are good as between the members of the institutions affected. International gold certificates can scarcely possess the characteristics of a clearing house gold certificate. Bankers will at once see the difference between the local and the international international operations. In the latter case, the gold represented by the certificate might be two or three thousand miles distant from the certificate itself. Its immediate convertibility into actual gold would be impossible. Another point discussed concerns the difficulties in the way of storing up in any part of the world a common gold supply. Speculation has been made as to what assurance nations have that gold would be safe in the event of war. As is well known, international exchange operations are far from represented by the passing of gold from one market to another. The gold movement is but a small fraction of the aggregate sum of international exchange. It would seem that there are many practical difficulties in the way of acting upon Secretary Cortelyou's suggestion. Probably some surprise will be expressed that he has deemed it a sufficiently important matter, from a practical standpoint, to deal with it in his annual report.

You cannot possibly have a better Cocoa than EPPS'S

A delicious drink and a sustaining food. Fragrant, nutritious and economical. This excellent Cocoa maintains the system in robust health, and enables it to resist winter's extreme cold. COCOA Sold by Grocers and Storekeepers in 1-lb. and 1/2-lb. Tins.

THE Age of the World.

Is the earth old or young? This is the question a writer in the current number of "Chambers's Journal" sets out to answer; and, surmised up, would seem to be either young or old according to the way in which one regards the terms youth and age in relation to the earth. According to the estimates of geologists, the dawn of life on our earth lies somewhere between 120,000,000 B.C. and 500,000,000 B. C., though it is admittedly difficult to translate the moments of geological time into years and centuries. He chronicle the flight of historical epochs. For instance, from astronomical considerations, the date of the ice age is placed at 200,000 B.C. The writer therefore points out that if an occurrence so geologically recent as the ice age took place two hundred thousand years ago, we may reasonably assume that the preceding epochs—Primary, Secondary and Tertiary—stretch over a period of time a thousandfold greater than this. A subsidiary proof of the vastness of geological periods may be found in the fact that Niagara is said to have taken over thirty thousand years to carve its present course. Yet every inch of the wearing away has been

TRAIN ROBBERS SENTENCED.

Portland, Ore., Dec. 31.—Two of the three men who robbed the Oregon Railroad & Navigation Chicago express train at Clarno a week ago on Thursday night, pleaded guilty to the charge of train robbery before Judge Gantenbein yesterday afternoon, and were immediately sentenced to the penitentiary. William Burke, being the first to confess to the robbery, was given four years, while Jack Hayes, the leader of the gang, was given twelve years. The proceedings were short. Hayes and Burke were taken from the county jail and the entire proceedings were over in five minutes.

PERSONAL.

W. W. Foster, executive agent of the C. P. R., who was in the city on Tuesday evening, has gone to Winnipeg. Dr. H. A. Brown, veterinarian, who has been practicing in Vancouver, has removed his office to this city. Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Macgill, of Vancouver, are visiting Victoria. Both Mr. and Mrs. Macgill are former well known newspaper writers. E. B. Knight, of Vernon, the superintendent of the White River Valley Irrigation Canal, is in the city. During the past season about 16 miles of the ditch have been constructed, which, added to what was done the year before, makes about 22 miles. There are yet about 20 miles to complete. H. C. Bellinger, well known here as a smelter expert, is on his way to Sidney, Australia, to take the position of metallurgical director of the Cobarr smelter. Mr. Bellinger was in charge of the Crofton smelter, having been associated with R. Breen in the building of it. He passed through Victoria yesterday. From advices by telegraph received by the provincial police, two Indians are in custody and will to-day be given a preliminary hearing at Soda Creek on a charge of having murdered another Indian in a drunken row Monday evening last. The wife is from Provincial Constable Yolland, stationed at the 150 Mile House, and gives the information that in the row one of the Indians was so badly battered that he died almost immediately. His assailants were arrested and an inquest was held under the direction of Constable Yolland, who went to the spot. The evidence secured in clear against one of the Indians. The names of the men concerned are not stated.

At the dock were many small boats sent in to take the wounded out to





For Your First New Year's Dinner

- MIXED NUTS, per lb. 15c
FANCY NAVAL ORANGES, per dozen 90c
JAP. ORANGES, per dozen 90c
FANCY TABLE APPLES, per bushel 50c
FRESH PINEAPPLES, each 50c
ELEM. PUDDINGS, all ready to eat 60c
FRUIT CAKE AND MINCEMEAT, good as Mother used to make 60c
CALIFORNIA SHERRY, per bottle 1.00
SPANISH SHERRY, per bottle 1.00
CALIFORNIA PORT, per bottle 1.00
LYONS PORT, per bottle 1.00
BLUO FUNNEL SCOTCH, per bottle 1.10
VICTORIA PHOENIX BEER, Pints, per doz. 90c
Quarts, per doz. 1.10

DIXIE H. ROSS & CO.

UP-TO-DATE GROCERS 1317 GOVERNMENT ST. Tels. 52, 1052 and 1590

The Royal City Gas Improvement Company, Limited.

HEAD OFFICE: Blackie Block, Columbia St., NEW WESTMINSTER. DIRECTORS: President, L. A. Lewis, Esq., New Westminster; Vice-President, C. E. Deal, Esq., Vancouver; W. E. Vanstone, Esq., H. A. Eastman, Esq., J. A. Rennie, Esq., Solicitors, Whitehead & Edmonds, New Westminster. Bankers, Royal Bank of Canada. Secretary, J. A. Rennie, Esq., New Westminster. Capital \$250,000, divided into 1,500 shares of \$100 each, of which 700 shares are now offered for subscription at \$100.

'The Exchange'

H. W. DAVIES, M. A. A.

AUCTIONEER, VALUATOR AND BUSINESS BROKER. Commission Merchant and Job Stock Dealer. Established 1883. 25 Years' Experience in the Auction Business. Auction sales of any description conducted satisfactorily and with prompt settlement. The best price given for Household Effects and other goods. A large stock of NEW AND SECOND-HAND HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, COOKING AND HEATING STOVES, and other goods for sale privately. AUCTION SALES HELD EVERY FRIDAY AT 2 P. M. At the Sale Room, 1219 Douglas St., the Oldest Auction Mart in B. C. All kinds of goods received up to morning of sale.

Stewart Williams & Co. AUCTIONEERS AND COMMISSION AGENTS.

HOLD WEEKLY SALES OF FURNITURE AT THEIR MART SALES HELD AT PRIVATE HOUSES BY ARRANGEMENT FOR SALE PRIVATELY 3 Pedigree Irish Terriers, Handsome Burnese Cabinet, Set of Lyons Furniture. A quantity of solid silverware and other goods.

Maynard & Son AUCTIONEERS.

During the holiday weeks we will sell privately at our Salesrooms, 1214 Broad Street. WE HAVE RECEIVED A BALE OF FEATHER PILLOWS For this week at auction prices. Also Furniture, Cook Stove, Heater, 3 Pianos, Piano Player, Organ, etc. At Bargain Prices.

NOTICE

J. KINGHAM & CO. HAVE REMOVED THEIR COAL OFFICE TO 1203 Broad St. Adjoining the Colonist Building. New Wellington COAL

IN ALL GRADES AT CURRENT RATES. 5 Per Cent. Off Cash With Order. Telephone 647.

BARGAIN SALE OF HEATERS

15 p.c. DISCOUNT ON HEATERS - GOOD UNTIL DECEMBER 31ST, 1908. B. C. HARDWARE CO., LTD. CORNER YATES AND BROAD STS. Warehouse Phone 1611

GOOD CHEER FOR NEW YEAR

- WINE. Good Port, per bottle 50c. Old Port, per bottle 75c. Vin de Paste Port, per bottle 60c. Cockburn's Black Label, per bottle 60c. Cockburn's Red Label, per bottle 60c. Conville Port, per bottle 60c. Dry Sherry, per bottle 60c. Amontillado Sherry, per bottle 60c. Madeira Wine, per bottle 60c. Angelica Wine, per bottle 60c. Muscatel Wine, per bottle 60c. Claret, per bottle 60c. White Wine, per bottle 60c.

The West End Grocery Co. Ltd

SUGAR!! SUGAR!! We have received another car of White Granulated Sugar. Try a sack. 100 lbs. \$5.50 20 lbs. \$1.15 SYLVESTER FEED CO. 700 YATES ST.

'PACKINGS.' Rainbow Sheet, Peerless Packing, Round and Square Carlock Packing, Hemp and Flax Packings. Tuck's Round and Square Packing, Fibre Packing, Klingert's Sheet Packing.

PETER McQUADE & SON 78 (1214) WHARF STREET VICTORIA, B. C.

CHINESE MISSION FORMALLY OPENED Many Attended Gathering at Methodist Home-Interesting Programme. Local Firms Report Increase in Business During the Past Few Weeks

While the holidays have had more effect on the realty market making it considerably duller than under normal conditions, there is business being done in certain quarters, and some of the deals reported are fairly large. One of the largest of the deals is for a couple of blocks of lots in the Rock and Park subdivisions. These were sold by the Northwest Real Estate Agency, 23 lots going at \$500 each and 11 lots for \$3,500 making a total sum of \$11,500 for the 34 lots. The same agency has sold a store at an outlying point recently for \$2,500, and is just closing another deal for \$3,500.

BRITISH NAVAL WEAPON MOST POWERFUL IN WORLD Could Sink Dreadnought With a Single Shot—51 Feet in Length.

London, Dec. 31.—The most powerful gun in the world, capable of sending to the bottom of the sea any battleship in existence with a single shot, has been constructed for the British admiralty by Vickers Sons & Maxim, and is to be mounted on the recently launched battleship Collingwood and other ships, St. Vincent and Vanguard.

CONSTIPATION AND HEALTH CAN'T MIX When you stick to your regular work or business for weeks, months and years, you become immersed in it—grow constipated, and live on the verge of collapse.

SENATOR BERNIER DEAD. Winnipeg, Man., Dec. 30.—Senator Bernier, of St. Boniface, died at noon today. He suffered a stroke of apoplexy a week ago.

VICTORIA FUEL CO. FULL WEIGHT PROMPT DELIVERY OUR COAL IS ALL COAL 618 TROUNCE AVE. PHONE 1377 5% DISCOUNT FOR CASH WITH ORDER

We Wish You much merriment to-morrow, may the holiday be most pleasant. We thank you for your generous appreciation of our efforts during the year which closes to-night, an appreciation which has sent the yearly sales record soaring above those of all previous years. We are planning great things for 1909, planning to keep pace with the great development this Western Land is going to enjoy. May prosperity unusual be yours during this coming year. Weiler Bros. FURNISHERS OF HOMES Gov't St. Victoria, B. C.

ADVICE ON THE ART OF SLEEPING

What is the right quantity of sleep necessary to man in general, and in particular, to the man who "thinks"? M. Mazade has asked the question of a number of well-known French personalities—artists, statesmen, writers, scientists—and La Revue, of Paris, publishes their replies. The following are extracts from those replies: Maurice Maeterlinck, the eminent writer: I go to bed at ten and rise at seven. Work is impossible to me the next day if I have not had nine hours' sleep.

Conditions of Sleep. If you want to sleep, your room must be away from noise; it must not contain artificial light, animals, flowers, and a great deal of furniture; it should be well ventilated, even in winter. The bed should be slightly inclined from head to foot. Use woollen mattresses and let your spring mattress be neither too hard nor too soft. Use light blankets and a modest pillow, not one of those in which the head sinks. Go to bed two or three hours after having eaten, when digestion is almost finished.

Professor Hallopeau, however, advises intellectual workers to sleep after their meals. He believes the brain should rest during the digestion. "The best system for the scientist, the philosopher, the poet, would consist in dividing the night in two; sleeping till 1 a. m., then working for three hours before going to bed again."

When you rest do not place your arms above your head. Many women most women—do so, but it is against the rules of physiology. That particular position tires the muscles of the arms and the chest, contracts the neck, and forces one to breathe irregularly. Keep your head as low as possible, so that the blood may freely circulate in the brain. Always stretch out your body fully; do not fold up your legs, cross them, or raise your knees. It is not good to sleep on the back. It causes hallucinations and night-mares. Do not sleep on the stomach. It is bad for the lungs. Do not sleep on your left side; it stops the digestion and is bad for the heart. Sleep then on the right side. It is the only normal position of rest, since it impedes no essential function of our organs. In case of insomnia try walking or a shower-bath before retiring. Some people have conquered sleeplessness by fixing one brilliant object or listening to the beating of a clock. Covering the eyes and closing the ears with some wadding has been found useful.

ARE YOU GOING TO CALIFORNIA THIS WINTER?

WRITE CHESTER W. KELLEY, 608 1ST AVE., SEATTLE, WASH. SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE

Hotel Del Monte

NEAR MONTEREY, CAL., Paradise of the Pacific INQUIRE ABOUT THE MIDWINTER GOLF AND POLO TOURNAMENT. BOOKLETS, RATES, RESERVATIONS CHEERFULLY GIVEN.

EDISON RECORDS FOR JANUARY 1909

Now on Sale

ASK TO HEAR THEM PLAYED

BLEASDALE & WHITE

GOURLAY MUSIC WAREHOUSES 907 Government St.